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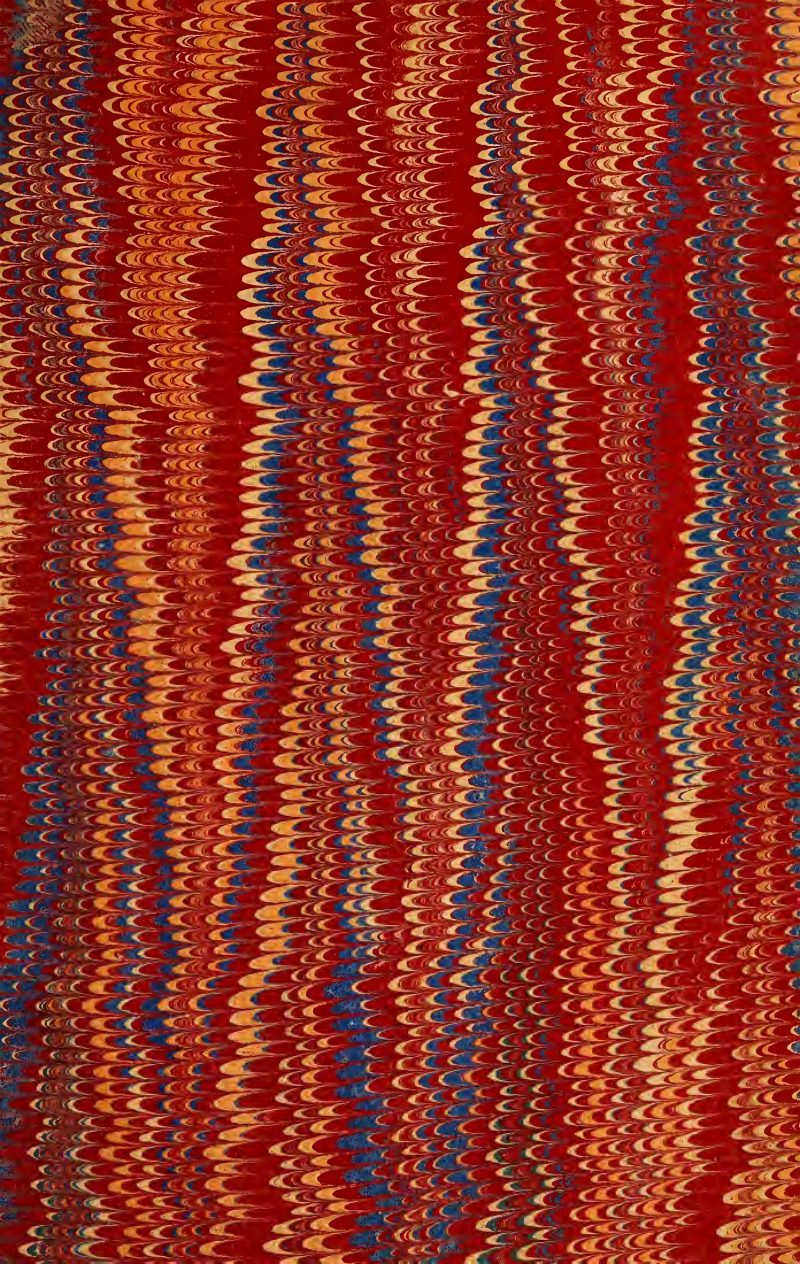
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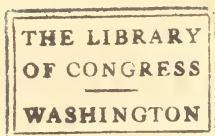
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CALAMITIES ON SEA  
AND LAND, ETC.,

**DURING THE YEAR 1871.**

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## PREFACE.

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IN presenting this little volume to its readers, the compiler feels it to be a duty which he cheerfully performs, to acknowledge the very valuable assistance he has received from the Editor of the *Boston Journal*. In closing the "Synchronology of Sacred and Profane History," in 1869, and the "American Historical Chart," in 1870, it was our purpose to continue this Chronological history from year to year and publish the same in pamphlet form. For this purpose it became necessary to adopt some reliable plan by which the desired information could be secured. Having been a constant reader of the *Boston Journal* for fifteen years, we have always found in its Weekly edition the most complete and accurate account of current events that could be found in any American Journal. Hence it is from the columns of this paper, more than from all other sources, that the events recorded in this volume have been selected. S. H.

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# INTRODUCTION.

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THE year 1870 closed amid scenes which naturally excited fearful apprehensions in the minds of individuals and of nations. Standing upon the threshold of the new year, and looking out into the future, the prospect was truly forbidding. The Franco-Prussian war was in mighty operation, and the cloud that hung over all Europe was dark and portentous, causing the crowned heads of Empires and Kingdoms to await the issue of events with apparent solicitude. The events of this eventful year have passed into history, and the record is without a parallel in the annals of time.

"The past year has, under a wise Providence, \* \* \* been attended with more than usual chastisements, in the loss of life and property by storm and fire, \* \* \* distresses occasioned by the elements."—*President Grant's Message*.

"Victor Hugo should have waited to see 1871, before he called 1870 'the terrible year.' For earthquakes, pestilence, fire, famine, tornadoes, and an extraordinary number of disasters and calamities have made this year a terrible one the wide world over."—*New York Evening Post*.

"We may be justified in assuming that the year 1871 will be known in future calendars as the Black Year."—*Chicago Tribune*.

"The year 1870 went out with a great flood at Rome, such as had not been witnessed in three previous centuries. From one-half to two-thirds of the Eternal City went under the waters of the Tiber; 20,000 dwellings were surrounded, 100,000 people suffered hunger and inundation of property; thirty men, women and children lost their lives; and the damage done reached the enormous sum of \$12,000,000. The calamity overshadowed the city on New Year's Day. The water was over the city forty-eight hours, and rose to a height of sixty feet.

"In the United States a water famine prevailed. The Merrimac, in New England, had not run so low since 1807. Many States suffered by winter's drouth; a new cattle disease had just appeared in the State of New York.

"Portugal was suffering greatly by depression in trade, with innumerable disasters to shipping.

"In India the trade in Cashmere shawls was nearly destroyed by the European war, and pauperism and want prevailed thereby."—*Boston Journal*.



# CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD, 1871.

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## JANUARY.

1. Spain excited over the assassination of General Prim, who died Dec. 29.
1. Napoleon holds a reception at Wilhelmshe.
1. The Dis-establishing Act comes in force in Ireland.
- 1-10. Terrific gales on the entire Atlantic. On the British coast over thirty persons were drowned. In the Gulf Stream the winds were terrific. Snow, hail, sleet, rain, thunder and lightning prevailed. One captain styled it "A marine hell."
1. War in Montevideo; the defeated rebels burn and plunder for 200 miles.
1. French prisoners of war in Germany now number 11,160 officers, and 333,885 men.
1. Battle of Bapaume, France. German loss in killed, wounded and prisoners, 9000; French loss, 4000.
2. Reception at the President's White House omitted—a custom never before departed from since Washington's day.
2. Council of Indian nations at Ocmulgee, and a Constitution adopted by a vote of 52 to 3.
- 2-3. Great battles on the Seine.
3. The Legislature of New York assemble.
3. Celebration of the eighth anniversary of President Lincoln's Proclamation of Emancipation.
3. Railroad accident near Memphis; nine persons burned to death, and many injured.
4. Meeting of the Massachusetts Legislature.
4. Trial of Cadet Smith and others at West Point.
4. Battles and engagements on the Loire and a few French victories reported.
5. Henry Ward Beecher's salary increased to \$20,000.
5. A lady—the first one—appointed to a clerkship in the Legislature of Wisconsin.
5. The south forts of Paris commence to be bombarded, and Issy temporarily silenced.
6. Lord Derby, in a speech at Preston, urged England to put the country on a war footing.



6. A plot discovered to seize the Governor General and the Island of Java; Swiss soldiers implicated.
7. Twenty car loads of tea arrived at New York, 23 days from Hong Kong via San Francisco.
7. Great fire in Plainfield, N. J. Loss \$200,000.
7. Election riot at Frankfort, Ky.; one killed and several wounded. Indian fight in Arizona; none killed.
7. General Chanzy with 200,000 men moves to the relief of Paris, but is repulsed by the Prussians.
7. The French army invest Belfort.
8. The water famine begins in Jersey City, N. J.
8. Alarming spread of hoof and mouth disease in New England.
8. A statement publicly made, based on the report of Secretary Wells, that our late war financially wasted \$9,208,000,000, and cost the lives of over 600,000 soldiers, mostly vigorous young men.
9. The correspondence between Secretary Fish and Minister Motley submitted to Congress.
9. The Cincinnati clergy resolve against the license of prostitution in that city.
9. First negotiations for exchange of French and Prussian prisoners in France.
9. An insurrection breaks out at Banuah, Grenada.
9. Prussia raises the siege of Langres.
9. Werder defeats Bourbaki at Visoul, taking 800 prisoners.
9. The Germans capture Peronne and 3000 prisoners.
10. Great coal mine strike begins in Pennsylvania.
10. The San Domingo resolution passes the House.
10. The Mint bill passed by the Senate.
10. In Kansas women made clerks in both houses, and a girl appointed a page.
10. General Chanzy defeated and retreating, with the loss of 1000 men taken prisoners.
10. German troops occupy Havre.
10. In Yucatan an Indian war breaks out and 500 warriors take the field.
10. Insurrection in Oaxaca, Mexico. State troops defeated.
- 7-12. The Hornet lands men in Cuba, who are attacked by the Spaniards, and seventeen men killed or captured.
10. Great and damaging floods in Washington Territory. Near Monterey, Cal., a water spout destroyed bridges, cattle, lumber, etc. An eruption of Ceburruccho volcano in Mexico destroyed three plantations and the villages of Apuarathan, Ithaus and Jaba.
- 10-18. The severest floods occurred ever known on the Isthmus of Darien. All railway transit was stopped, and the losses were immense.

11. National Woman's Suffrage Association at Washington, and 50 ladies before the House Committee plead for the ballot.
11. The Senate pass the San Domingo Commission bill.
11. Great riot at Albright station, on the Mendota railroad, Ill., and many persons were injured.
11. Chanzy driven back at LeManz, and 2000 men are prisoners to Prussia. A great battle ensues between 180,000 Germans and 200,000 French; the French beaten, and on the retreat lose 16,000 men and immense war material.
11. Fourteen mariners deserted from Pensacola Navy Yard, and all were drowned in the sea.
11. Near Sheffield, Eng., by a coal mine explosion, twenty-six persons lost their lives, and nine others were injured.
- 5-12. A water famine in Jersey City for eight days, causing a loss of \$100,000 per day, by suspension of manufacturing business.
11. At Newcastle, Eng., twenty miners were killed by explosion of fire damp.
12. Trial of Dr. Lanahan begins at New York.
12. Telegraph cable laid to Java, Asia.
12. The famous Ohio liquor bill becomes a law.
13. The three hundred million five per cent. refunding bill passed by the House.
13. Woman suffrage defeated in Congress, 3000 women having memorialized Congress against it.
13. Bismarck orders French merchant ships to be captured.
13. Paris, on the south bank of the Seine, in flames.
14. England releases four Fenian prisoners.
14. Extraordinary war preparations in England, and an intense popular hostility towards Prussia.
14. Three men murdered by Indians in Arizona.
14. The French Foreign Office protests against the bombardment of the city of Paris, without previous notification. Bismarck defends his war policy.
- 14-15. The steamer General Outram foundered by a clyclone in the Indian ocean and 53 lives were lost.
- 14-16. Heavy and disastrous snow-storm over the Western States. In Ontario the storm raged three days with "a fury that had no parallel."
14. Steamer T. L. McGill exploded her boilers on the Mississippi in a great gale, and 58 persons perished.
15. First arrival of teas at New York via Suez Canal.
15. Nearly \$12,000,000 worth of war material has been shipped from the United States to France since the beginning of the war with Prussia, to this date.
15. The revolution in Oaxaca, Mexico, is defeated.

15. Turkey orders the construction of a 6000 tonnage armor-plated war vessel, of 1200 horse power.
15. All the south of Paris under a furious bombardment, day and night. The Archbishop, Dr. Manning of London, said in a sermon: "I have never yet, so far as I have read, heard of a city of two millions of souls shut in by a circle of iron and fire, wasted, wasted, day and night, by starvation; and I know nothing that is more terrible at this moment than the death rate of Paris. It must be at least five fold the death rate of London." Paris eating 600 horses a day.
15. At Oaxaca, Mexico, a violent and disastrous earthquake occurred, but no lives were lost.
16. Banquet to General Sheridan at Florence given by Victor Emmanuel.
16. In Cuba 200 insurgents are attacked by Spaniards, and 20 are killed.
- 15-16. Terrible battle at Belfort; Bourbaki defeated.
17. Three hundred Crispins on a strike at New Brunswick, N. J.
17. Sailing of the Tennessee with the San Domingo Commissioners.
17. Continual outrages by Ku-Klux in Robeson county, N. C.
18. Fourteen Japanese nobles arrive at San Francisco to attend college in the United States.
18. Convention at Philadelphia in favor of recognizing God in the Constitution of the United States.
18. At Laconia and Lake Village, N. H., seven earthquake shocks were felt.
- 18-24. The Panama floods nearly ended, having lasted fourteen days. The village of Metachin was completely overflowed; only the tops of the houses seen.
19. The first car-load of California cotton sent to New England.
19. King William of Prussia assumes the Imperial Crown of Germany.
19. Bourbaki's panic-stricken army fleeing into Switzerland, where they perish of the cold by thousands.
19. Longwy bombarded by the Prussians.
19. Sortie from St. Denis under the guns of Valerian, by 100,000 French, who are driven back with a loss of 6,000 men or more.
19. Faidherbe's army terribly defeated, with a loss of 14,000 men killed and wounded; the Germans lose 3,000.
20. Victoria C. Woodhull announces herself a candidate for the United States Presidency.
20. Letters received from Paris say there has been 22,000

- deaths in the city to December 22, since the siege began. Ninety-five days.
20. Angry notes between Prussia and Luxembourg.
  20. Thirty unwounded Mobile Guards found frozen to death at Mendon, France.
  21. In two weeks contagious diseases in New York city caused the death of 537 persons.
  21. Washington authorities say that the Roll of Honor contains the names of 333,000 graves of soldiers of the Union, and comprises 25 volumes, to be completed in twenty-seven volumes.
  22. King Amadeus having entered Madrid on the first of the Year, his queen now joins him.
  22. Civil war threatened between the five Central American republics, and an ill feeling between Costa Rica and Honduras. Revolution in Uruguay.
  22. All the armies of France are defeated and the fate of Paris is in suspense.
  23. Passage by the Senate of the Invalid Pension bill.
  23. Reception to the released Fenians given at New York by Tammany.
  23. Longwy in flames under bombardment by the Prussians.
  23. Destructive fire in Milford, Mass. Eleven stores, many other buildings, three women and seven horses were consumed. At Lewiston, Me., twenty-nine cattle and seventy-five sheep were burnt alive. Chicago had a \$100,000 fire. Five miners at Sharon, Pa., fell down a shaft 110 feet, and were killed. At Egg Harbor, eight men by the wreck of the Kate Smith, and ten men by the wreck of the Alfred Hall were lost.
  24. Massachusetts Woman's Suffrage Meeting at Boston.
  24. Annual Session of the Workingmen's Assembly at Albany, N. Y.
  24. A revolution in progress in Bolivia, S. A., and Morales victorious in numerous engagements.
  24. In a tunnel in France two trains collided, and five cars loaded with soldiers were smashed, killing and wounding scores.
  - 20-29. All the North of Spain inundated by rain and floods. Immense destruction of property.
  25. Vinnie Ream's statue of Lincoln unveiled at Washington.
  25. Capitulation of Longwy, with two hundred guns and four thousand men.
  25. Prussia holds all the North and East of France.
  25. Jules Favre at Versailles seeking terms of peace.
  26. The Missionary ship, "Morning Star," launched at East Boston, Mass.

26. Only five days' rations left in Paris.
26. News of a revolt among the Tartars in China, which had reached alarming proportions.
26. A great snow storm extending from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic; the severest in New York "known for many years." Destructive fires in New York. Applications for relief by the poor were 30 per cent. greater than in 1870, so cold and severe was the season.
27. The London Conference meet and adjourn.
27. Massachusetts Radical Peace Society convene at Boston.
27. Revolution in Guerrero, Mexico.
27. Gas tank fell in Brooklyn, N. Y., a man killed, and a fire destroyed property valued at \$200,000.
27. The barque Templar, with all on board, sunk by a collision.
28. British America joins the Dominion of Canada.
28. Russia pushes more armies into Odessa and Caucasia.
28. Reports of a secret alliance between Russia and Prussia occasion intense feeling in Europe.
28. An armistice of three weeks signed at Versailles.
- 26-28. The Jordan rebels defeated in a hard fight in Buenos Ayres at Neambee, with a loss of eight cannon and four hundred prisoners. At the close of the war Germany had as prisoners one Emperor, three or four Marshals, 11,650 officers, and 363,000 rank and file of the French. France pays Germany, in three years' time, \$1,000,000,000 to purchase peace. This sum in gold would load a railway train of 322 cars. The 112,000 Germans expelled from French soil by the war, demand a total indemnity of \$67,200,000. The official report says Germany lost by the war, 120,000 men; 13,960 being killed, and 88,924 wounded. Germany's war bill is \$750,000,000. War, disease, want, and hunger destroy 70,000 people in Paris within twelve months. Prussia captures fifteen hundred cannon and four hundred field pieces at Paris.
28. Paris was taken to-day, and during the armistice that followed six hundred houses were burnt at St. Cloud.
28. Steamer W. R. Arthur exploded her boilers near Island No. 40 on the Mississippi, and burnt. Eighty-seven lives lost.
29. The King of Spain is recognized by France, Italy, and Belgium.
30. By the havoc of war and disease 23,000 more interments were made in Paris during the past twelve months than during the twelve months preceding. Nearly 11,000 were buried during the first three weeks of this month.
30. Trial for impeachment of Governor Holden begins at Raleigh, N. C.



30. The George Chorpening mail service claim defeated in the House.
30. France still claims to have an army of 880,000 men. This month the French lost 800 pieces of artillery and 350,000 men captured by the Prussian foe. Eighty thousand entered Switzerland, and many perished of cold and hunger in the Jura. The Prussians lost but 10,000 men. The figures of contrast appear incredible. In the war Germany had 550,000 of her own soldiers sick and wounded in hospital, and also had in her hospitals 78,000 sick and wounded French soldiers. The siege of Paris lasted 130 days. In this time there were twenty-two actions, engagements and battles near the city. The bombardment killed within the city's walls 44 (civilians) men, 16 women and 29 children—total, 89. The wounded were 208. The month of January witnessed 43 engagements and battles on the soil of fair France.
31. Statue of John A. Andrew placed in Doric Hall, Boston.
31. A furious torrent of rain cause the dykes to overflow at the city of Smyrna. Many lives and much property destroyed.
31. A terrible scourge begins in Buenos Ayres, caused by the long continued drought. Gales and destructive floods in Australia and New Zealand. Violent eruption at Vesuvius.

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## **FEBRUARY.**

1. Italian Chamber of Deputies vote to make Rome the national capital.
1. The Cheney trial begins in Chicago.
1. Congress admits the Georgia Senators, and the South is now all represented.
1. 300,000 more soldiers drafted in Prussia for the war.
1. Sixty Indians killed in a fight on the Colorado River.
2. London Conference meets, and Russia's claims are all acknowledged, with reservations.
2. The English press bitterly denounce Bismark's terms forced upon France.
2. Baez and Cabral at Hayti prepare for war.
2. Capture and sacking of the city of Potosi in Bolivia, S. A., by Morales, after six hours hard fighting, and 500 of the revolutionists killed; the city is pillaged three days and left in ruins.
3. The Senate pensions the soldiers of 1812.

3. The Kensington Bank at Philadelphia robbed of \$100,000.
3. Ships loading with food at New York and Boston for Paris.
3. The Edith Wonson, with her crew of twelve men, given up for lost.
4. Adelphi Theatre at Boston consumed by fire.
4. A colored woman awarded \$1500 by the court at Washington for ejection from a horse car.
4. Revolution attempted at Port au Prince, Hayti, and the arsenals attacked; rebels repulsed.
5. Trains loaded with food from London enter Paris.
5. The London *Observer* announces that the Army Purchase system will be abolished.
5. In Bolivia the government forces are victorious in battle.
5. The New Hamburg, N. Y., railroad catastrophe killed and roasted or drowned 22 human beings, and cost the company hundreds of thousands of dollars.
5. An earthquake and tidal wave at Minititlan, Mexico.
6. Conflict of authority between Bordeaux and Paris, in France, and Bismark rejects the former.
6. Congress votes \$20,000 to defray expense of investigating Ku-Klux outrages.
6. Disturbances in Roumania compel the presence of a Turkish army.
6. The formidable and long continued insurrection in the French colony of Algiers begins, costing thousands of lives and millions of property.
- 6-7. Great riot between the Germans and French in the city of Mexico; numbers injured.
6. A cartridge explosion at Dunkirk, France. Of 150 girls in the factory, 60 were instantly killed, and as many more wounded and disfigured for life.
7. Committee of Ways and Means agree to report a bill for the repeal of the income tax.
7. Correspondence of naval commanders in Dominican waters laid before Congress.
7. A fire at South Pittsburg, Pa., consumes 23 houses, and the loss reached \$150,000.
7. Jefferson, Texas, had a \$300,000 fire, and New York city \$100,000; in Milwaukee and Trenton \$125,000 were burnt.
8. New Jersey Senate ratifies the Fifteenth Amendment by a vote of 34 to 24.
8. Elections for a Constitutional Assembly in France.
8. An Indian massacre in Arizona.
8. A great fire in Ewen's Thread Factory, England, threw out of employ 900 operatives.
9. British Parliament opens with a speech from the Queen, who is hissed in the streets of London.

9. The President announces a settlement to be made of the Anglo-American difficulties by Joint Commission.
9. An armed mob of rummies attack government officers in Franklin county, Tenn., requiring the presence of fifty United States troops to quell the outbreak.
9. In Venezuela the government is fallen and its forces defeated by insurgents.
10. The Senate confirms Messrs. Fish, Hoar, Schenck and Williams as High Commissioners.
10. Kansas by law allows criminals to testify in their own behalf, and permits evidence of husband and wife concerning each other.
10. Since January 4, in Cuba, 2000 insurgents have surrendered to the Spaniards.
10. The Howe Sewing Machine Factory burnt at Peru, Ind.; four men burnt up. Loss of property \$100,000.
11. Two steamers leave New York with provisions for the suffering French nation.
11. Incorporation of the Great Salt Lake and Colorado Railway Company; road 560 miles; capital fifteen millions of dollars.
11. England increases her army nearly 20,000 men; her war expenditures \$1,433,500 more than in 1870.
11. Awful gales on the British coast caused a loss of one hundred vessels and as many lives. Twenty vessels and 40 persons lost in Bridlington Bay. The Pacific, of Liverpool, was wrecked, and 26 souls perished.
- 10-11. A French transport foundered in the Bay of Biscay, and 98 persons were drowned.
12. Ontario votes \$50,000 to encourage immigration.
12. The Erie Railroad Company executes a consolidated mortgage on all its property for \$30,000,000.
12. Steamboat, Judge Wheeler, exploded her boilers on the Mississippi; three persons killed and others wounded.
12. The Danube burst its banks, and the city of Vienna went under water.
13. Results of the French elections: 370 Bonapartists and Orleanists, and 80 Republicans.
13. The New French National Assembly meets at Bordeaux.
13. Popular disturbance at Nice put down by bayonets.
13. War breaks out anew in Guerrero, Mexico.
14. Trial of Congressman C. C. Bowen for bigamy.
14. England votes the Princess Louise a dowry of £30,000.
14. Unveiling and presentation of the Ball Statue of John A. Andrew to the State in Doric Hall, Boston, before the Governor and Legislature.
14. War threatened between Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

15. New Jersey House ratifies the Fifteenth Amendment by a vote of 144 to 64.
15. Dominion Parliament opened at Ottawa.
15. The Cuban war has already cost Spain \$200,000,000.
16. The Roumania Senate resolve complete devotion to King Charles, and co operation with his acts.
16. The Governor of Arkansas having been impeached by the House on the 11th, to-day the Supreme Court impeach the Lieutenant Governor.
16. Hard battle in Cuba between 400 Spaniards and 600 revolutionists; the latter defeated
17. In Victoria, Cape of Good Hope, by a sudden and extraordinary water spout, a village was torn from its place, and 110 men, women, and children were drowned in the torrent of waters. Thirty houses were swept away.
17. M. Thiers chosen Executive of France, and is recognized by the Ambassadors of the great powers. Alsace and Lorraine petition the Assmblly not to be separated from France.
17. Hayti buys 50,000 guns and seeks a war loan of two million and a half dollars.
17. A tornado in Arkansas and Mississippi tore in pieces two towns; and a hurricane at Norfolk and Richmond, Va., and at New Orleans and Chicago, destroyed \$200,000.
17. From Jan. 27 to Feb. 17, a wild, mad elephant ravaged twelve towns and villages in the district of Maudla, India, and killed six men, eight women, and seven children. He ate five of his victims; one was a woman 80 years old!
18. The Howard resolution, looking toward the U. S. ownership of Canada, offered in the Senate.
18. The Chinese New Year's Day, anno 4319, celebrated by the Celestials.
18. Great earthquake at Sandwich Islands, the severest ever known there. All walls were broken or fell down, the valleys filled with earth, and great rocks from the mountains, the ground cleft open in a thousand places, and the accompanying electric light seen in the eastern sky. Little, if any, loss of life.
19. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arkansas is now impeached, and anarchy rules the State.
19. A colored man admitted into the Typographical Union by a vote of 229 to 68.
19. Plot to assassinate Zorilla, the Spanish Minister at Madrid, and institute carnage.
20. News of the safety of the Tennessee, now unheard from for over a month, reaches the country.
20. Opening day of the Washington Carnival.
20. In Peru the Lopez Indians bury Minister Munome alive and commit other horrible atrocities.

- 20—March 4. Violent earthquakes in Cuba and Hayti. On the 22d, seven Haytien volcanoes burst into furious eruption.
20. On the Irish coast, by the wrecking of a barque, 12 men lost.
20. It is announced that from 80 to 100 lives were destroyed by the falling of a bridge near Canton, China.
- 20—21. Unparalleled tropical storm at San Francisco. Torrents of rain, with wind, thunder and lightning, occurred all night. No thunder and lightning storm had occurred there for 20 years. The barometer fell lower than ever before witnessed. Four killed and others injured. Property damaged \$100,000.
21. The London Conference agree to open the Black Sea.
21. Anarchy, disruption and civil war in the Argentine Republic; 300 slaves revolt in Brazil.
22. Bismarck communicates the terms of peace to London, Vienna, and St. Petersburg.
22. Coolie insurrection and murders in Jamaica.
22. Savannah, Ga., had a \$250,000 fire, and two fires at New York destroyed an equal amount.
23. Webster Bank, Boston, defalcation of \$50,000.
23. Dead lock in the Indiana Assembly by the resignation of 34 Republican members.
23. Great rains and destructive floods in Oregon.
23. Tornado at Baxter Spa, Kansas, and hurricane at Jefferson City, Mo., and in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin. A great area of country was swept, seven cities and towns were devastated, and the property destroyed was over \$100,000. At Cleveland, Ohio, houses were demolished.
24. The coal crisis reached; only a fortnight's supply in New York, and coal \$20 per ton.
24. Italy, in a quarrel with Tunis, grants her eight days to apologize or fight. Tunis settles.
25. Failure to repeal the Income Tax in Congress.
25. The Bayonet Election Bill passes the Senate.
25. At a battle in Central America the State troops were defeated and 50 of them killed.
25. In South Wales, Eng., a colliery explosion destroyed the lives of 50 miners.
26. Arrival in New York of 26 Japanese nobles and princes.
26. Spain threatens Egypt with war, but settles up.
27. The Joint High Commission hold their first meeting at Washington—a secret session.
27. King William telegraphs the Empress Augusta that the Franco-German preliminaries of peace are signed.



- 27. Six weeks of mourning begins in Germany for the victims of the six months' awful war.
- 28. News that the King of Burmah has started a newspaper and a telegraph.
- 28. The British Government propose to establish a University in Jamaica Island.
- 28. Mobs, violence and insurrection in Paris.
- 28. An \$80,000 fire in New York, and eleven men badly injured.
- 28. At Jefferson, Mo., a \$100,000 hotel was burnt. In Philadelphia there occurred this month 21 deaths by violence. Other than these, 29 persons were killed by accidents, and 10 negroes were hung by 500 white men.

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### MARCH.

- 1. The Treaty of Peace ratified in the French Assembly—546 for peace, 107 for war.
- 1. To this date, 6,000 women have memorialized Congress against granting woman suffrage.
- 1. One hundred and forty Cuban insurgents recently killed.
- 1. A tidal wave swept through Long Island Sound.
- 2. Boston Post Office Appropriation Bill passed in the Senate—cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.
- 2. A German army of 30,000 in Paris.
- 2. Indians in Arizona massacre seven men.
- 2. Severe earthquake shock at Eureka, Cal., lasting a minute; chimneys toppled over and the walls of buildings cracked.
- 2. The volcano Ruwang on Tagulaudang Island, in the Malay Archipelago, broke forth in eruption; the sea rose in a tidal wave 125 feet, and rushed on the land sweeping everything before it. But three houses left on the island. Four hundred and sixteen persons lost their lives.
- 2. In Central Illinois a farmer was killed by lightning while sowing grass seed in his field.
- 1-7. During this first week two fire balls in succession, several feet in diameter, fell on the deck of a vessel in latitude 40°, longitude 62°. They were accompanied with a crash and peal like thunder, and burst with a crimson flame that illuminated all the sea around.
- 2. Extraordinary rains began in Peru, South America, resulting in floods that inundated the whole land between the Andes and the sea for several weeks. Eight or ten towns were destroyed, more than 1,000 houses swept away,

- and seven thousand people made homeless and paupers. Loss estimated at \$7,000,000. The calamity was considered as great as the earthquake of 1868, and was the greatest flood that ever occurred in Peru.
2. At Morges, in France, twenty persons lost their lives by the explosion of powder in an arsenal.
  2. By a colliery explosion at Victoria, Eng., twenty miners were suffocated to death.
  3. The Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company declared bankrupt.
  3. Great fire in Ottawa, Ont. Loss \$104,000.
  4. The Forty-first Congress expires, and the Forty second Congress is organized.
  4. Treaty of Commerce formed between Italy and the United States.
  4. The London *Spectator* estimates the loss to France by the Prussian war at \$6,000,000,000.
  5. A black prince from Liberia comes to this country to secure missionaries for Africa.
  5. Revolution threatened on Monmartre at Paris.
  - 4-5. Riot and murder at the Pennsylvania coal mines.
  5. Reign of terror in South Carolina by Ku-Klux outrages.
  5. A bloody Chinese fight in San Francisco.
  5. Honduras formally declares war against San Salvador.
  5. Schooner and six men lost off San Francisco.
  6. Leading statesmen in France fear a civil war.
  6. The Italian-Tunisian difficulty adjusted.
  6. Horrible scene in Court at Meridian, Miss. Judge Bramlette shot dead by a negro and ten negroes shot and killed.
  6. A fire at Portsmouth, Ohio. Loss, \$200,000.
  7. A thousand workmen strike at Newcastle, England.
  7. Emperor William leaves Versailles for Berlin.
  7. Ship, *Mistress of the Seas*, foundered on the ocean, and went down with seventeen persons.
  7. South Nevada visited by the severest rains and gales experienced for years.
  7. An earthquake at Hawaii, tore up the ground, shattered houses, and prostrated chimneys.
  8. Victor Hugo hissed in the French Assembly while defending Garibaldi. He then resigns.
  8. Leaving out Paris, the direct cost of the Franco-Prussian War is to-day, aside from the indemnity, no less than \$200,000,000.
  8. A terrible tornado swept everything before it from Helena, Arkansas, to Fayette, Illinois. At East St. Louis, six depots and sixty houses were demolished, one hundred

freight cars overturned, a thirty ton locomotive was carried forty feet into the river, shingle nails and parasol braces were driven through one inch boards, seven persons were killed, and over fifty more or less injured. Fayette, Illinois, was torn in pieces, and Memphis, Tennessee, had a violent and destructive wind. At St. Louis alone, the damage was put at \$500,000.

9. New York Chamber of Commerce propose a Pacific Ocean cable of 6,515 miles.
9. Paris begins a war with France.
9. Great riot in Zurich, Switzerland.
9. A furious gale swept the entire British coast. In three vessels twenty men went down into the sea.
9. Mount Rainor, in Washington territory, which was never a volcano, became heated at the top, dissolving snow, throwing off steam and smoke, giving signs of eruption.
9. Le Creuzot, France, had a torpedo explosion that killed eight persons and injured seven. The same day nineteen cars in a train filled with wounded German soldiers were wrecked by collision, killing twenty and injuring sixty others.
10. Buffalo, at a mass meeting, favors free canals.
10. Mexico in a state of anarchy.
10. Revolt and terror at Tehuantepec, and on the Isthmus of Darien.
10. A fire consumed fifty-eight buildings at Petroleum Centre, Pa. Loss \$150,000. Another burnt fifteen houses at Richmond, Ky. Loss \$150,000. On the same day, Holker Hall, the palace of the Duke of Devonshire, England, was burnt down. Loss \$150,000.
10. An electric storm at Arequipa, Peru, followed by earthquake shocks.
11. Government suit against William F. Weld & Co., of Boston, for \$400,000.
11. The Privy Council of England decides against Ritualism in the established church.
11. The San Louis rebellion put down at a cost of one million of dollars to Mexico,
11. Political disturbances and mobs in Spain.
- 11-12. Belleville fortified, and its guns are pointed toward Paris to destroy.
11. A dreadful rain storm, accompanied by fierce thunder and lightning, deluged Mobile, Alabama, and one-half of the city was inundated, causing great damage. Fire in New York. Loss \$100,000.
12. The Paris Reds in possession of Monmartre.
12. At Jersey, Eng., a vessel and eight lives lost.
13. Two hundred bills introduced into the Massachusetts

House of Representatives—a greater number than in any single day previously.

13. By the revolt of Tehuantepec, fourteen soldiers are killed.

13. In New Zealand, incendiary fires destroyed \$200,000.

14. Election in New Hampshire—Democratic victory.

14. In Yucatan, a war of races is going on.

14. The Europa's disaster; the captain, the first and third officers drowned in a gale. A tornado at St. Clair county, Illinois, demolished twenty farm houses, blowing some of them six hundred feet away. Several persons killed, Loss \$50,000. The terrible volcano, which broke out on the 2d instant, destroyed by flame and lava nearly all the cultivable land on the island. All who survived the shock were in famine and distress.

15. Soldiers' \$100 bounty bill passed the Senate.

15. The Austrian Government forbids a peace celebration in Vienna.

15. Italy borrows two hundred million of livres for purposes of war, and the nation already nearly bankrupt.

15. Memphis visited by a destructive gale.

16. Emperor William enters Berlin, and Napoleon leaves his palace prison at Wilhelmshohe.

17. Violent gale on the British coast.

17. Project for a Congregational House in Boston, to cost \$200,000.

17. A cartridge factory at Chaucey, France, exploded, killing thirteen and wounding forty others.

18. Fighting begins in Paris, which is now in full possession of the Reds.

18. China pays France 200,000 taels on account of the Tientsin massacre.

18. Forty persons reported killed by explosion of a powder factory at Hang-Chow, in China. Earthquake in all the north of England. A water spout, five hundred feet high, and sixty feet in diameter seen off Cape Hatteras.

18-20. Twenty-five bridges swept off by flood in Morgan county, Illinois.

19. The Legislature of Illinois, after ten weeks' hard labor, passed three bills, and one of these was vetoed by the Governor.

19. The Reds seize and hold the Paris forts; 200,000 men in arms against order and France.

20. Napoleon arrives at Dover, England, and meets his family; all exiles.

21. Colored men of Boston petition Congress for protection for loyal Southerners.

21. Disastrous flood at Hallowell, Maine.

22. Passage of the Free Trade bill in the Dominion Parliament; vote 102 to 28.
22. Thirty citizens killed in Paris and the streets begin to run with blood.
22. Disaster to a train filled with French soldiers on their way home from German prisons; twenty-two killed and seventy-two wounded.
23. The New York City Viaduct Railway bill passed by the Senate of New York.
23. Pittsburg, Pa., had a \$100,000 conflagration.
23. A strong earthquake shock all over the British Isles.
24. Boston's census first reported; population 248,866. The city and islands, 250,526.
24. Executive Anti-KuKlux proclamation.
24. Luperon with an army moves on Santiago, South America. He is routed, with seventeen killed, twenty-one wounded, and many of his men prisoners.
25. Erie Railroad sued by stockholders at Glenn's Falls, N. Y.
- 19-25. A sharp fight in Hayti between the forces of Baez and Cabral.
25. A meteor, so brilliant as to cast a shadow, seen at New York. On the same day, a fire destroys \$250,000 worth of property in the city.
25. A cyclone, that prostrated everything in its tracks at Auckland, Australia. The severest earthquake felt since 1851, in Valparaiso and all Chili—prostrating persons, and cracking and shattering all walls; also a new volcano in the sea near Smith's Island, North Pacific.
26. Elections in Paris; of 500,000 voters only 180,000 vote.
26. The Tennessee reaches Charleston with the San Domingo Commissioners.
26. Great American project set on foot to explore Palestine and Jerusalem.
26. Uruguay still at war and Blanco in revolt.
26. Horrible atrocities by the Cuban volunteers, who roast an insurgent alive.
26. Riot at Swede Grove, on the North Pacific Railroad. Several killed and wounded.
26. The damaging Bonnet Carre crevasse begins.
27. Senator Sumner addresses the Senate on the San Domingo question.
27. To-day there are 120,000 miles of railroad on the earth; cost ten billions; one million of men employed.
27. Armed Carlists dispersed and some killed at Lerida, Spain.
28. Dominion Canal Commissioners report \$15,920,000 needed for Canadian Canals.
28. Marseilles, France, in revolt and put in siege.



19. Royal Albert Hall of Sciences and Art, opened by the Queen at London; cost \$500,000; 10,000 people present.
29. The Arab chief, Mokrain, with 40,000 troops, declares war against France and French rule.
29. All the business portion of Truckee, on the North Pacific Railway consumed; one hundred and twenty houses reduced to ashes. In Mississippi, incendiaries burn thirteen school houses in ten days.
30. A quarter of a million of people petition the English House of Commons to repeal the Contagious Disease act.
30. The horrible Commune proclaimed in Paris.
30. Since the revolution in Cuba began, it has cost Spain the employ of 107,000 troops, of whom 70,000 are killed, died, deserted, or wounded, and she has borrowed thirty millions of dollars to carry on the war.
- 27-30. Cuban engagements with heavy losses on both sides.
30. In St. Joaquin Valley, Cal., a drouth, so severe as to cause thousands of cattle to die of thirst.
31. Ludicrous quarrel between Garrett Davis and B. F. Butler, on the floor of the United States Senate.
31. British Columbia voted into the Dominion—91 to 70.
32. Twenty-third Anniversary of Spiritualism celebrated at New York.
31. Magnificent aurora; a great cloud of blood red in the northeast sky; the sight "to be remembered a lifetime." During the month a sun spot of 2,300,000 square miles area was visible.

We notice eight other persons drowned, eight killed and seven injured by explosions, five burnt to death, twenty injured on railways, and four whites killed by Patagonians, who ate one of the murdered victims. It was the most disastrous quarter for vessels of the United States known since 1867. Since January 1, there were 125 vessels wrecked, involving a total loss of \$6,800,000.

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## APRIL.

1. Mexican Congress assembles.
1. A colored page—the first one—appointed in the House of Representatives at the National Capitol.
1. The Paris Commune inaugurate the Universal Social Republic.
2. War between Ashantee and Dahoming, and the army of the former destroyed and dispersed in a bloody conflict.
1. Severe shock of earthquake at Melbourne, Australia.

1. In Ashantee, Africa, an army of 50,000 men has been destroyed in battle, and by disease and famine.
1. An incendiary fire at Syracuse, N. Y., destroyed three barns, fifty tons of hay, five horses and sixty cows; the brutes burnt alive.
2. The second siege of Paris begins. The conflict opens by an attack on Versailles, and the Reds are driven back with a loss of 12,000 men.
2. Two sharp earthquake shocks at San Francisco, Cal.
2. Tornado at Dubuque, Iowa, and hurricane at Omaha, Nebraska.
3. One Marsh, of New Jersey, dying, leaves \$400,000 to his six pet horses.
3. Queen Victoria visits Napoleon and Eugenie at Chiselhurst. Census of Great Britain taken.
3. The KuKlux have destroyed 200 lives in Louisiana.
3. In Mississippi the same gangs have killed 124 persons.
3. Vesuvius in violent eruption since March 27.
4. Bill to restore the Massachusetts prohibitory law rejected by a vote of 97 to 112.
- 3, 4. Election in Connecticut and Rhode Island and Republican victories.
5. Peace Conference meets at Brussels, Belgium.
5. Passover with the Hebrews celebrated.
5. The whole Argentine Republic at civil war.
6. Annual Fast Day in Massachusetts.
6. Report of the Santo Domingo Commissioners and message of President Grant sent to Congress.
6. Miners' riot at Scranton, Pa.; three killed and many wounded; 1,500 troops called out.
7. The Maine Central leases the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad.
7. Altercation between Weed and Irving in the New York Senate.
7. Fifty hostile Apache Indians killed and scalped by whites in Arizona.
7. At Albany, N. Y., 40 buildings were consumed by fire; 300 persons thrown out of employ; loss \$500,000.
8. Roger Williams' statue unveiled at Washington.
8. Heated term. Thermometer in Albany, N. Y., 100° in the shade. Extraordinary weather for two days.
8. Revolution ended in Boyaca, Columbia, and the Argentine insurgents are routed.
8. Seven lives lost by the explosion of the boilers of steamer S. J. Hall, at Golconda, on the Mississippi.
8. In Columbia, S. A., the national mail robbed of \$2,500,000.
9. Destructive tornadoes in Kansas, Iowa, and Missouri.
9. Thermometer 100° in the shade. An aurora so brilliant

- and powerful, as to suspend the operations of the telegraph in all directions from New York,
10. Monster Peace procession and celebration of Germans in New York; also in all the great cities.
  10. An artillery battalion and 800 insurgents fought in Cuba, and the latter defeated.
  10. Hurricane at St. Joseph, Mo.
  11. Equal Rights bill passed in the Legislature of Mississippi.
  11. The coal miners appoint a delegation to confer with the companies, with a view to settle.
  11. Indians kill six Americans in Texas, and in turn 200 Mexican troops, who had pursued and killed 80 Indians, were attacked by United States troops on our soil, and 4 of the latter killed.
  11. Everest rain and wind ever known at Pottsville, Pa., and the damage estimated by thousands.
  12. Thiers demands of the Paris rebels that they lay down their arms, and settle terms of peace.
  - 12-15. In a battle in Cuba between 800 troops and 1,000 insurgents, the Spaniards had 44 killed and 59 wounded; their foe 72 killed and wounded.
  12. In Hayti the troops of Baez defeat Cabral.
  12. Paris shelled.
  13. Religious riot in Odessa, the Jews despoiled.
  13. Extraordinary auroral display of red, green, and white colors, with a broad white belt spanning the sky overhead.
  14. The KuKlux bill passes the United States Senate.
  14. To date, the shells have destroyed house property in Paris valued at \$400,000.
  14. United States troops in Arizona shoot thirty-four Apaches.
  14. Terrific hail storm at Jackson, Miss.; stones fell six inches in circumference, 4,000 lights broken, and roofs pierced.
  14. To date since Jan. 1, six vessels and 45 fishermen were lost on the Banks.
  15. The House rejects the Senate's amendment to the KuKlux bill.
  15. The Southern Pacific Railroad incorporated company project a continuous line of 720 miles from the Colorado to San Francisco.
  15. Tehuantepec in rebellion against Mexico.
  15. Versailles troops attack Fort Vanvres, with great slaughter.
  15. Battle of Neuilly, at Paris.
  15. Forest fires at Clinton and Bolton, Mass., consume everything over 200 acres. At Newfield, N. J., 48 square miles of forest are burnt over, with barns, fences, &c.
  15. Remarkable mirage witnessed at Rochester, N. Y.

15. Earthquake in Scotland<sup>7</sup>; ceilings cracked and houses sunk a foot.
16. U. S. Minister Washburne remains at his dangerous post, in Paris, now again invested.
17. Thiers rejects Bismarck's proposal for armed intervention in Paris affairs.
17. Three hundred insurgents in Cuba defeated by the Spanish troops, with a loss of 30 killed.
- 17, 18. Insurrection in Sinaloa, Mexico.
- 17, 18. Battle of Asnieres, near Paris.
17. Nebraska State Insane Asylum at Lincoln burnt, and two inmates perish. Loss \$150,000.
18. Tainted meat excitement around Boston, and the death of Temple, the butcher, by poison taint.
18. Red rebellion attempted and put down at Bordeaux.
18. A United States captain and 14 soldiers killed by the Indians in Texas.
18. Wind storm at Leavenworth, Kansas, destroyed many thousand dollars worth of property.
19. Ninety-sixth anniversary of the battle of Lexington celebrated.
19. Bill to abolish British game laws defeated in Parliament by a majority of 126.
19. An arch destroyed at Paris that cost \$2,000,000.
20. KuKlux Enforcement bill passed by Congress and signed by the President.
20. The proposal in the House of Commons to tax each 100 matches half a penny, and so increase the Government income £550,000, sets all England in an uproar.
20. Turkey growling war at Egypt.
20. At South Boston, Mass., a fire rendered houseless 20 families, and consumed \$100,000.
21. Mass meeting of French citizens in New York in favor of the annexation of Canada.
21. At Sanetos, in San Salvador, a great battle occurred, and 1,000 men were killed and wounded. Honduras conquers Salvador.
21. At Chiriqui 600 men in revolution.
22. Earl de Gray gives a reception at Washington.
22. Great Methodist tent seating 10,000 persons pitched at Sacramento, Cal.
22. Caveats filed in the Patent Office for using electricity as a motive power, and an electrical two-horse power engine exhibited.
23. President Grant visits the Western States.
23. Insurrection attempted and put down at Marseilles.
24. The miners in Pennsylvania accept the operators proposals.

- 24. Twenty rebels in Cuba surprised and killed.
- 24. Destructive hail storm at New Orleans.
- 25. There are now forty weather signal telegraph stations in the United States.
- 25. The Watch Tax bill withdrawn in England.
- 25. News of peace between San Salvador and Honduras.
- 14-26. One sixth of the Mississippi river pouring through the Bonnet Carre crevasse, now 1200 feet wide and 18 feet deep. A tract of country for forty miles is under water, a dozen miles of railway swept off, plantations inundated, and the damage put at \$300,000.
- 25. At this date the loss of life by the great floods in Peru, S. A., is great, and \$15,000,000 it is said will not cover the damage by the water.
- 26. Fifty-second Anniversary of the I. O. O. F. celebrated.
- 26. Fifteen railroad companies represented in a convention at New York.
- 26. Bloody Indian war breaks out in Peru, South America.
- 26. Negro riot and some killed in Robeson county, N. C.
- 26. All the insurgent forts at Paris under a terrible fire from Thiers' forces.
- 26. At Vernon, Vt., 32 freight cars ran off the track, and fifteen of them, heavily freighted, were crushed to pieces.
- 27. Bismarck tells the commune not to harm the Archbishop of Paris.
- 27. In New Orleans a negro recovers \$1,000 from a saloon keeper who refused to sell him food.
- 27. Indians massacre whites in Dakota.
- 27. Violent and destructive hail at Detroit, Mich.
- 28. Habeas corpus suspended in Westmeath, Ireland.
- 28. A new line of steamers projected from New York to Rome.
- 28. A yellow fever plague at Buenos Ayres destroys in five months 26,000 persons.
- 28. United States troops shot dead eighty-five Arizona Indians.
- 28. The flooding of New Orleans begins.
- 29. From Zanzibar comes news of the safety of Dr. Livingstone.
- 29. 125 Indians massacred by whites in Arizona.
- 29. Destructive hail storm at Jacksonville, Miss.
- 29. A breach in the Erie canal, near Rochester, that cost a million of dollars to repair.
- 30. The London Missionary Society about to establish a station at New Guinea, where none was ever before undertaken.
- 30. A Protestant church has been dedicated—the first one in the city of Mexico.
- 30. Floods in Meridian, Miss., very damaging.
- 30. It is announced in Viena that Verovitica, a large town in

Sclavonia, is destroyed by fire, that 400 houses are consumed, 4,000 people houseless and in want, and the loss is \$2,000,000.

We note fires as follows: A church in Brooklyn, \$100,000. Shop at Louisville, Ky., \$200,000. Grand Rapids, Mich., \$250,000. Newbern, N. C., \$200,000, (17 houses.) W. Castleton, Vt., \$150,000. Hotel at Galesburg, Ill., \$100,000. St. Louis, Mo., \$100,000. Iron Works, Rome, N. Y., \$150,000. Woolcott, N. Y., burnt up, and a \$150,000 fire on a plantation at Colon, in Cuba.

The ship *Queen of the Thames* wrecked off Cape Good Hope, five men lost, and a cargo valued at \$250,000.

We also count in groups twenty persons drowned, seven scalded to death, five buried alive, six killed on railways, four by explosions, and twenty cars consumed by fire: not regarding any single case of causalty in the list.

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## MAY.

1. State opening of the International Exhibition at London by the Prince of Wales.
1. Great German Peace Jubilee at Pittsburg, Detroit, Columbus, etc.
1. Brigham Young broke ground for the Utah Southern Railroad.
1. Insurrection in New Zealand, and twenty-five rebels killed.
1. The Island Camiguin, one of the Philippines, yielding one-tenth of the Manilla hemp of the world, thickly inhabited by 26,000 people, was torn in pieces by volcano and earthquake. A crater opened 1500 feet wide—there was a rain of fire—all the forest was set in a blaze—200 persons destroyed, and the rest fled from the island. "It was the most terrible eruption that ever took place in the Philippian group."
1. Great floods at New South Wales, nearly ruining the wheat crop—"loss immense."
2. Motion to lower the rates of ocean postage defeated in the English Parliament.
2. Semi-Centennial celebration of English High School at Boston.
2. 300 Reds bayoneted at Clamart, Paris.
2. 20,000 hogsheads of sugar lost by the Louisiana flood.
2. Hurricane over all Louisiana: "the oldest river men say they never witnessed such a storm." Hundreds of houses at Baton Rouge blown down, and scores of boats damaged or sunk.



- 2.4. Violent and destructive wind storm over all the North-western States.
3. J. Gould arrested for contempt of court, and bail denied.
3. Female suffrage defeated in the House of Commons, England, by a majority of 69.
3. Plot to massacre Jews in Roumania defeated.
3. Indian battle in the Pinal mountains, Arizona, and 28 Apaches killed.
3. Awful hurricane at Fiji Islands; a brig went down with all on board; many others wrecked.
3. A hat factory burned at Brooklyn, N. Y.; twenty families houseless, 500 persons thrown out of work, and a loss of half a million dollars in property.
4. President Grant issues a Ku-Klux proclamation.
4. Revolution kept up at Panama.
5. Half a million fraud by A. Woodruff at Lynchburg, Va.
5. A ship loaded with Coolies, from Macon to Callao, set on fire at sea, and of 550 Chinese on board over 450 were burned to death or drowned in the sea.
5. Freshet at Albany N. Y., and all the lower streets submerged.
5. Great land slide at Silver Hill, Bradford, N. H. Several acres covered with rock, earth and debris.
6. Pullman cars first run east of Boston.
6. Sortie from Paris and battle under the walls.
7. It is announced that the Joint High Commission have concluded their work and that the treaty is prepared.
7. Battle at Herat, in Cabul, and the forces of Yacoob Khan repulsed by the garrison.
7. Faquendos in Pa. burnt; 50 buildings consumed, 300 houseless people, and of property destroyed \$100,000. The dam for a 50,000 acre pond, of ten feet depth of water, the largest in the world, broke away at Tupper's Lake, N. Y., on the Raquette river, causing a flood for 100 miles.
7. Portage Lake, four miles long and two and a half miles wide, broke its bed and became joined to Lake Michigan.
8. The coal famine ends and large shipments are at once made from the mines.
8. The revolt in Algiers spreads to all the provinces.
8. In a fight of 250 United States troops near Laramie with several thousand Indians, the latter were defeated with a loss of two or three hundred killed and wounded.
8. Railroad works and 20 locomotives destroyed by fire at Wilmington, Del., loss \$250,000.
9. The signing of the treaty at Washington announced in the Parliament of Great Britain.
9. Miners' riot at Hyde Park, Pa.; three persons killed and eight wounded.

9. "Thousands of dollars damage" by a freshet at Harper's Ferry, Va.
9. Fourteen lives lost by wreck of the ship City of Quebec on Dead Island, New Newfoundland.
10. A motion of Disestablishment lost in the English Parliament by 285 negative majority.
10. Treaty of Peace between Prussia and France signed.
10. Grand Army of the Republic convene at Boston.
10. Connecticut Legislature by a vote of 122 to 100 declares Jewell Governor.
10. Italy decides to fortify Rome with a double circle of thirty-five forts.
10. Tornado at Bridgeport, Ill.; a woman killed.
11. Williamson's road steamer first tried on Erie canal.
12. The Commune orders all religious instruction to cease at Paris.
12. The Anglo-American Treaty made public.
12. Italy, by telegram, greets and thanks Massachusetts for sympathy with her Union.
12. In Khiva, Asia, insurgent tribes under Sahdik declare war against Russia, which sends an army against them.
12. The Tycoon of Japan, in conflict with the Mikados, who, in revolt, plot to seize the throne; but themselves are thrust out of place and power.
12. Accident at Griswold Station, Erie Railroad. Of thirty in a car, five children were killed and twenty adults injured.
13. The Senate's quarrel with New York reporters begins.
13. On the wharves at Heywood, England, a fire destroyed cotton, buildings, etc., to the value of \$500,000.
14. 16. By the destruction of dwellings, the house of M. Thiers, and a single commemorative column at Paris, property perished valued at over five millions of dollars.
14. A rebellion against King Thakambau in Fiji.
15. Judge Cofer, of Kentucky, instructs the Grand Jury to admit negro testimony, they being citizens.
15. New Territorial Government for Washington and the District of Columbia inaugurated.
15. In the general fear of war China fortifies.
15. Crispin picnic riot near New York, wounding a great many persons.
16. The Senate orders the arrest of the two recalcitrant reporters, White and Ramsdell.
16. A battle in Kelalhulereo, in Guatemala, in which forty persons were slain.
16. Tornado at Chicago; buildings fell and men killed.
17. A union depot for 14 railways, 297 by 1100 feet, the largest in the world, begun at St. Louis, Mo.

17. Riot at Scranton, Pa.; the military fire at the mob, and the death of three men occurs.
18. Massachusetts Dental Society meet at Boston, who report 13,000 dentists in the United States, and 1200 in New England.
18. In Democratic Convention at Montgomery county, O., Vallandigham first presents his "New Departure" platform; 41 delegates accept it.
18. General Diaz, with 800 men, threatens Panama, garrisoned by 900 men.
- 18, 19. One hundred Indians kill seven men belonging to a train in Texas.
19. Tampico, Mexico, captured, and the revolt ends.
19. Bridge project—a single span of 1600 feet to cross the Hudson at Peekskill.
19. New Brunswick Legislature condemn the Washington Treaty.
19. Turkey, in hostile attitude, concentrates 50,000 troops at Shuma.
19. Tornado in New Kent county, Va., that swept all movable things before it, hail fell nine inches in depth, and human beings were knocked senseless by it; crops were totally ruined.
19. Forest fires rage in Ulster and Sullivan counties, N. Y., and in Burlington county, N. J.
20. Tehuantepec surveying expedition returns.
20. Arizonian people report 200 citizens murdered by the Apaches.
20. The Commune in desperation resolve to ruin the "beautiful city."
20. Revolutionists in Guatemala capture Escuintla.
21. 22. Versailles troops, after a terrible bombardment, force their way, 80,000 strong, into Paris. In three days 12,000 people are slaughtered.
21. Earthquake in all Ontario, Canada.
21. An aerolite weighing twelve pounds fell at Searsmont, Me.
21. Floods in Antioquia, New Grenada, cause losses that amount to more than a million of dollars.
22. The first steamboat launched on Great Salt Lake.
22. Reported foundering of the Webb at sea by collision, and the loss of 13 lives.
22. Bradford, Ont., consumed, 100 houses in ashes, all the business portion with every store burnt, 60 families out of house, and the destruction of \$600,000.
22. In Trumansburg, N. Y., 25 business places burnt; loss \$100,000.
22. The Pennsylvania coal mine strikes end to-day, having entailed a loss on the miners, railway companies and canal

- boats of from twenty millions to thirty millions of dollars, and much suffering.
23. Telegraph cable completed from St. Thomas to St. Kitts Island, W. I.
- 23, 26. 30 public buildings in Paris are fired by the Commune and mostly or totally burned.
22. Archbishop Darboy and 64 priests shot dead.
23. The revolutionist army, 18,000 strong, under Herresa is repulsed by Blanco in Venezuela, and hundreds perish.
- 18-23. In South New Jersey a forest fire raged over forty thousand acres of land, ruining timber valued at \$800,000.
- 18-23. Forest fires in New Hampshire and on Long Island run over one hundred square miles of woods and fields.
- 23-28. The city of Paris burnt by petroleum fires, that were kindled in eleven arrondissements. Thirty of the most costly and magnificent public buildings were badly damaged or utterly consumed, each doubtless costing on an average a million of dollars. The Louvre cost \$6,000,000. The destruction of the warehouses involved a total loss of \$10,000,000. The sum of \$70,000,000 has been loaned to repair the ruined city. The total injury to the city was estimated to be eight hundred million of francs.
23. In Japan a crew of 12 men died of starvation.
24. The Anglo-American Washington Treaty ratified by the Senate, and the whole country rejoices.
- 21-24. Civil war ends in Panama.
24. Fires in the Shandakin Mountains, N. Y., burn over ten thousand acres of woodland. Loss \$300,000.
24. Thiers says: "We are the masters of Paris."
24. International Convention of the Y. M. C. Association at Washington. One thousand members present, who telegraph congratulations to Queen Victoria on her birth-day.
25. The mountain Arizonian Indians declare war against the whites.
26. The strange horse epidemic appears in New York city.
- 24-26. The Shawangunk Mountain fires and the forest fires of Sullivan, Delaware, Ulster, Orange, &c., counties run over thousands of acres, and the loss by them is estimated to be \$500,000.
- 24-26. Terrible forest fires around Ottawa, Ont., with loss of \$200,000 in timber. In Sussex county, N. J., and in Pike, Wayne, Monroe and Carbon counties, Pa., the loss is \$300,000.
26. Schooner Little Bell, founders on the New Foundland coast, and forty men go down with the vessel, leaving over thirty families in sorrow.
27. Eleven arrondissements on fire in Paris, and 50,000 people lie dead in her streets and dwellings.

27. Twelve Indians and one white man killed in a fight on the Missouri river.
27. The South Jersey fires now said to have run over 70,000 acres of forest land.
27. The Pittston, Pa., coal mine horror. Of 59 men in the mine, 21 were taken out dead, and six others were badly injured.
27. Forest fire at Waverly and Lakeland, L. I., burnt over 1000 acres with houses and barns.
28. The potato bug appears in Wisconsin.
- 26-28. In Essex, Clinton, Franklin and St. Lawrence counties, N. Y., nearly 200 square miles of woods were burnt over, with the destruction of houses, barns, fences, &c.
29. The Lanahan-Methodist-Book-Concern-Case comes before the New York courts.
29. Remarkable mirage seen at the river Firth, Scotland.
30. No rain in New York since May 5. Intense heat, with terrible storms everywhere.
30. Decoration day of the graves of 300,000 soldiers.
31. Massachusetts Legislature adjourns—been in session 143 days, and passed 399 acts and 95 resolves.
- 23-30. In Paris 3000 Versailles troops and ten thousand Communists are destroyed. Twenty thousand of the latter were imprisoned. Letter writers assert that during this last week some 50,000 or 60,000 people perished around and in the city. The city was damaged to the value of 800,000,000 francs by the bombs and flames. The total casualties to the Versailles army was 7514.
30. Terrific hail storms on all the Upper Hudson, N. Y.—the stones killed birds, broke glass, and destroyed crops.
31. In addition: the flood stood over thousands of acres in Louisiana this month; 50 persons in the United States lost their lives in some calamitous manner. Of fires, Reading, Pa., had a \$100,000 fire; Cincinnati, O., \$200,000; Honesdale, Pa., \$250,000; Bridgeport, Conn., \$100,000; Folsom, Cal., \$125,000; and Mobile, Ala., a \$300,000 conflagration. A boiler explosion on a steamer on Magdalena river, South America, caused the death of 14 persons. By the sudden movement of an iceberg, near Newfoundland, 23 persons perished in the sea. To this list add the horrors of the second siege of Paris, involving the death of 22,000 (others say 40,000) and the wounding of 25,000 of the Paris Commune, the total casualties to the Versailles army, which M. Thiers says amounted to 75,143, and the death by yellow fever of about 26,000 persons since the year came in at Buenos Ayres, S. A., with the perhaps millions devoured by famine and plague in Persia. An earthquake completes the list. The city of Rhio, on the island of Bintang, the largest of the group of

Rhio Islands, was visited by a convulsion that devastated the place, and caused the loss of 400 lives. The city has a population of 36,000, and is 50 miles from Singapore, India. It occurred between May 20 and 25.

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## JUNE.

1. National Insurance Congress at New York adjourns.
1. The French press nearly unanimous for a Republic.
1. Great strike of miners, and mobs in California.
1. Coreans attack the fleet of Commodore Rodgers in the mouth of a river in Corea, and the fleet retires.
1. Executions cease in Paris.
1. Turkey borrows \$30,000,000 for the purpose of preparing for war.
1. New South Wales expends \$100,000 on fortifications, and borrows \$1,800,000 for similar purposes.
1. Unexampled floods in New South Wales. The Emma Patterson wrecked in a gale and six men drowned.
1. The Rhea sunk by collision near New York. Eight persons drowned.
2. Sentence of degradation on Cheney by Bishop Whitehouse.
2. Governor Butler of Nebraska, now impeached, is removed from office.
2. Rothschild of Frankfort offers to assume the entire debt of New York city.
2. Extraordinary sulphurous cyclone near Mason, Illinois, emitting an odor like burning sulphur a mile from its track. It was an inky-hued, revolving cloud, flashing and hissing, with electrical discharges like the sound of musketry; 80 feet in width, and progressing three miles, plowing the earth to a depth of six inches, burning with intense heat everything in its path.
- 2-6. A fearful storm of five days on the Gulf. All lower Galveston three feet under water; buildings and two miles of railroad track washed away; steamers and vessels are wrecked; whole crews perished. Houston badly damaged. Wind 39 miles per hour.
3. Ex-Congressman Bowen found guilty of bigamy.
3. French Assembly vote a million of francs to rebuild the house of M. Thiers, burnt by the Commune.
4. U. S. Army reduced to a peace footing of 35,284 men.
4. Great flood in New Orleans.
4. One of the broken English cables repaired.
5. The 233d Anniversary of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company at Boston.



- 5 Jewish Rabbinical Conference at Cincinnati, Ohio.
5. International Typographical Union at Baltimore, Md.
5. Sharp battle at San Juan, Hayti, and the town destroyed.
5. Coal riot, demanding military interference, in Wales, Eng.
5. Strike and riot at Hornellsville, N. Y.
5. Unusually high and injurious tide on the Massachusetts coast.
5. Four fires to-day burnt up Waverly, N. Y., and other places, destroying \$200,000, and at Cromwell, Ct., burning alive 30 cattle and 14 horses.
- 4-15. For two weeks half the city of New Orleans under three and five feet of water. The damage was put at half a million dollars, but "could not be estimated." Twenty-five thousand people suffered.
5. At San Juan, Hayti, a powder magazine was blown up and the place destroyed.
6. Grand reception to Indian chiefs at Tremont Temple, Boston.
6. Negro strikes and labor riot at Washington.
6. Grand procession of 40,000 Sunday-school children at Brooklyn, N. Y.
6. A railroad accident near Paris, France, destroyed the lives of 25 women, and wounded 50.
7. The Legislature of New Hampshire convenes and organizes.
7. Injunction in favor of the Boston and Maine Railroad v. the Eastern Railroad given by Judge Walter.
7. Funeral of Archbishop Derboy at Paris, who with 64 hostages was murdered by the Commune.
7. Incendiary fires in four places, at the same time, consume 200 houses in Constantinople—"heavy losses"; and a \$100,000 fire, with 25 families burned out, occurred at Dundee, also \$100,000 fire at South Shields, Scotland.
8. The Emperor of Russia and Duke Alexis visit William at Berlin.
8. The great Methodist tent and its revival preachers invade Mormondom at Salt Lake City.
8. Report of Russian victories in Asia.
8. At Zarate in the (S. A.) Argentine Republic, during a frightful hurricane, real stones as large as goose eggs fell in a great shower, killing human beings, animals and birds, and causing much havoc.
9. The Orleans Princes voted to a seat in the French Assembly.
9. By the census of April 3, the population of London, now first stated, is 3,251,804. This gigantic city is 2000 years old.
8. Iowa City had the most fearful storm "ever witnessed in this section." A furious forty minutes' burst of wind, rain

- and hail destroyed property valued at thousands. At Chatawa, La., a tornado occurred.
10. Unveiling of the Morse statue in Central Park, New York.
  10. In Corea, the American fleet attacks the treacherous enemy's forts, five of which are boldly stormed. 10,000 Coreans fled, 481 cannons were captured, and some 500 Coreans killed and wounded. The Americans lost three killed and nine wounded.
  11. Rev. Stephen Tyng (Epis.) opens his new church at New York, with a liberal platform.
  11. The city of Tampico, Mexico, stormed and taken at the point of the bayonet, and all the insurgents killed or captured.
  11. Destructive tornado at Holden, Paxton, Oakdale, West Boylston and Wenham, Mass.
  11. Immense fires cover scores of square miles of forest in Maine.
  11. Eighty lives lost by the foundering of a vessel near Luckput, India coast.
  12. The Brazilian Chambers entertain a bill for the emancipation of all slaves in the Empire.
  12. The Gregoian calendar, in place of the Greek or Julian, adopted in Alaska, to bring Sunday right.
  12. Three millions feet of lumber, worth \$100,000, burnt at North McGregor, Iowa.
  13. Corner stone of the new Odd Fellows' Hall laid in Boston, with 10,000 brothers in procession.
  13. Awful storms on the coast and inland at Labrador, and great destruction to property; fifty schooners swept out to sea and 300 men said to be lost. On the British coast, a steamer and 10 lives lost. At Aooch, on the coast of Scotland, a boat capsized, and eight men and six women drowned.
  14. Inauguration day in New Hampshire.
  14. Constitutional Amendment bill defeated in Connecticut.
  14. 81 Deputies in the French Assembly proclaim in favor of Republicanism.
  14. A storm of unparalleled violence devastated Oregon, and the telegraph wires charged with fire. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., visited by a destructive hail storm.
  15. Preliminary Christian and Moral Science Congress held in Philadelphia.
  - 15-22. The city of Portland, Oregon, and an entire railway half overflowed by a flood in the Columbia river. "Great damage."
  16. The 25th Anniversary of Pius IX. celebrated. The Protestant Queen of England sends him a telegraphic congratulation.

16. "Woodhull & Claflin" sue H. W. Beecher and *The Christian Union* for \$250,000 damage.
16. The triumphant entry into Berlin; 360,000 strangers present. Von Roon made a Count, and Von Moltke made Field Marshal. Statue of Frederic William the 3d inaugurated. Berlin in a blaze of glory and excitement.
16. Enormous waterspout off Cape Cod, and an aurora that covered the entire heavens.
16. A terrible tornado that swept away Eldorado, Kansas, demolishing 100 houses and blowing a horse and wagon into the air. "No such storm ever seen on the plain." Loss \$100,000.
17. 96th Anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill. Col. J. Fisk and the 9th N. Y. regiment in Boston.
17. By census of 1870 the worth of the United States is thirty-one thousand millions of dollars, or \$800 a head.
17. In three weeks to date there were 18,000 Parisians tried by drumhead court-martial and ordered shot; this being 900 a day.
18. Thanksgiving in Germany.
18. A telegram traveled on the wires from Hong Kong to New York, 15,000 miles, and was published the next morning in the daily papers.
18. A block of marble weighing 70 tons, the largest ever quarried in the United States, arrives at Boston from San Francisco.
18. A plot discovered at Rome to assassinate the Pope on the 16th, at his jubilee.
18. Tornado at Scranton, Iowa; one killed, seven hurt, and a house carried ten rods. So terrible were the electrical disturbances in and around Edinburgh, Scotland, to-day that 20 persons were killed by lightning, and an equal number of buildings struck and consumed. There were floods and hail, and at Shields the lightning discharged a loaded cannon—"never done before."
19. National Musical Congress in Boston.
19. The House of Lords reject the English "Purchase bill."
19. The bayonet used to quell riot at Brussels, and 68 Internationals arrested.
19. Earthquake at Staten Island, Long Island and New Jersey; houses rocked, bells rung, and dizziness produced. It lasted five minutes.
19. Singular sinking of a canal bottom in Morris, N. J., probably by the earthquake. The water for a mile and a half suddenly disappeared in great holes in and beside the canal. \$20,000 damage done.
20. Thiers reports the deficit in the French Treasury to be 737,000,000 francs.

20. A violent hurricane destroys the nutmeg and mace crop on the Bandana Islands, and the damage estimated at two millions of dollars.
21. Twelve "Sections" of the Internationals are now reported for New York city.
- 21-23. Three towns in Laguayra (?) captured by revolutionists, after desperate fighting.
21. Chimneys thrown down by an earthquake at Calistoga, Cal. Steamship Collingwood, to Bombay, is reported foundered, and 30 souls went down with her.
21. The town of Damak, on the north coast of Java, totally destroyed by fire.
22. Completed census of England and Wales; population 22,700,000; Ireland 5,400,000.
- 18-22. In capturing Fort National, in Algiers, the French lost eight men killed and thirty wounded.
22. San Domingo and Hayti still at war, and Venezuela in revolution.
22. Near Leipsic in Germany, four car loads of German soldiers going home from the war were crushed, 23 persons killed outright and 42 wounded.
23. Bismarck asks of France the first payment of the war indemnity of \$1,000,000,000.
23. Judge Barnard in the Lanahan-Carlton case, decides adverse to the former.
23. A terrific thunder storm inflicted \$50,000 damage on Chicago, and one, "the severest ever known here," destroyed the crops in two towns in St. Joseph county, Mich. Ice nine inches square, and pieces a foot long fell.
- 23-30. The Rhine overflows Switzerland to a fearful extent; whole towns under water; damage, "millions."
24. A difficulty between Secretary Boutwell and Commissioner Pleasonton commences.
24. Corner stone of the new Capitol building laid at Albany, New York.
24. War and Cannibalism going on in Fiji.
24. Revolution entirely successful in Guatemala.
24. In Barre, Ont., 18 buildings are burned; loss \$75,000.
25. The Alabama claims footed up to \$12,830,384 by the destruction of 234 vessels by rebel cruisers.
25. In Paris 240,000 people are creatures of charity, and 80,000 tenements empty.
- 24-25. Government teamsters at Fort Hill attacked by 250 Cheyennes; eight killed and three more burnt at the stake by the savages.
26. An unseasonable snow-storm in Shields, Eng.
26. Capt. C. F. Hall of the *Polaris* gives a reception at New York.

26. In the Methodist Book Concern trouble the Bishops decide for Dr. Lanahan, and he keeps his place.
27. It is first announced that the Treaty was ratified by the British Government on the 17th inst.
27. 9000 miners on a strike in Wales, Eng.
27. 55th Anniversary of Harvard Divinity School.
27. Deaths in London from small small pox weekly 240. "No mortality equal to it during this century."
27. Near Augusta, Me., there were two killed and twelve wounded, and near Moselle, Mo., two more were killed and fourteen wounded by railroad accidents.
28. Harvard and Williams College Commencements.
28. Princeton and Brown University Commencements.
28. The "City of Ragusa," twenty feet by six feet, and of two tons burthen, reaches England, 80 days from New York.
28. Seven ironmongers killed and thirty wounded at Silicia, in Prussia, at a riot.
28. Boiler explosion at Staffordshire, Eng., destroying six persons, and wounding and maiming 19.
28. In Centreville, N. Y., a black and red, rolling, cyclonic cloud or wind carried a barn roof half a mile, carried apple trees into the air as far as one could see, flashed electric fire, rolling over and over with a frightful roar, and presenting a remarkable phenomenon. On the same day a gigantic column of fire and cloud moved over the earth near Springfield, Mo., prostrating and rending everything in its way with frightful fury. "It was the most terribly grand spectacle ever beheld." "Scarcely in the memory of man have tornadoes been more frequent or more fierce, or floods more destructive," said the *New York Times*.
29. In six hours 4,500,000 francs were subscribed to the new French loan, Paris taking 2,500,000.
29. Grand review at Longchamps of 100,000 French troops.
29. Capt. Hall and the *Polaris* leave New York for the North Pole.
30. Great Central Union Depot at New York completed.
30. Juarez re-elected President of Mexico by a majority of 122 over all rivals.
30. The photo-lithographic process adopted at the U. S. Pension Office.
30. At Mussel Shell, on the Plains, in a desperate fight of three men with thirty-five Indians, eleven of the savages were slain.
30. Peace reported in Hayti.

There should be added to this month's record, seventeen persons drowned, twenty-seven injured and five killed on railways in this country; four burnt to death, and four others drowned in Scotland; twenty-four cars thrown into a

river in Ontario, Canada; one hundred persons nearly poisoned to death at a wedding in Iowa; and the strange case of Rev. E. A. Sampson (a colored minister) at Pine Bluff, Ark., who was killed by lightning while preaching, and the coffin in which he was being conveyed to the grave was also shattered by the electric fire in a sudden bolt from the sky.

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## JULY.

1. The King of Burmah proclaims internal free trade.
1. Costa Rica projects a railway from San Jose, the capital, to Limon on the Atlantic, to cost \$7,000,000.
- 1-12. Germany busy with gigantic preparations for war.
1. The London *Times* announces that at a recent whirlwind or cyclone in India, men, herds, houses and trees were carried high into the air and dashed down to the earth a mile or two away, every living thing being instantly killed.
2. Election day in all France.
2. Foreign ministers arrive at Rome and are installed.
2. The *Eunomia*, a Greek man of war, exploded her magazines in the Archipelago, killing at once 40 persons, wounding or burning every person on board, and destroying the ship.
3. Peace in Cabul is announced.
3. The King of Italy reviews his troops in Rome.
3. The Missionary ship "Morning Star" arrives at Honolulu.
3. Blanco and Colorades in Uruguay having desperate conflicts.
3. At Clermont, France, a wrecked railway train caused the death of six and wounded twenty persons.
3. Four days' forest fires ruin everything within thirty miles around Port Elgin, Ont., and the woods all in flame in the Ottawa region.
3. A bridge fell and a train with it at Harpeth River, Tenn., crushing to death 15 and wounding 23 persons.
3. Hurricane at Wheeling, W. Va., causes great damages.
4. National M. E. Camp Meeting opens at Round Lake, N. Y.
4. Proposed Mormon military parade at Salt Lake City broken up by the U. S. authorities.
4. The British war ship *Rinaldo* attacked the Malay pirates in Singapore river, destroyed five vessels and some forts, and burnt part of a town to ashes.
- 4-5. At Kohl, Japan, a typhoon raised the sea four feet above the highest water, wrecked the *Pride of the Thames* and drowned four of her men, destroyed eight vessels and 600



- small boats, caused the loss of 400 lives of natives, and the destruction of \$500,000 worth of property.
5. The Great Washington Treaty proclaimed by President Grant, and the nation jubilant.
  5. Frightful rain and wind in Nebraska. It lifted a train from the track and dashed it 20 feet away, causing the death of two, and injury of 15 passengers. Horrible water spout over three towns in Nevada, washing down rocks upon the railway, and throwing off a freight train.
  5. A third part of the city of Yreka, Cal., consumed by fire, loss of property, \$300,000.
  - 5-7. Awful thunder, lightning, and hail in Scotland, with heavy damaging floods. "At Lindean Station the fall of hail was so heavy and the darkness so great that the engine could not be seen from the guard's van.
  6. The French Assembly by a law requires "caution money" of the press; vote, 317 to 199.
  6. Prince de Joinville declares for the "Republic."
  6. President Grant visits New York and is serenaded.
  6. Great destruction caused by a tropical storm at Moundsville, Va., and at Portsmouth.
  7. French army reorganized, 320,000 strong.
  7. 300 Ku-Klux indicted by Grand Jury at Oxford, Miss.
  7. 10,000 Hibernian Irish resolve in council to break up the "Orange" procession on the 12th, and fail.
  7. The Tichborne case at London adjourned to November 7.
  7. Ship Fathel Rahamon foundered near Bombay, and 25 persons perished.
  7. Alarming freshets on four rivers in England; "loss heavy." Unusually severe thunder and lightning around London, and men, houses and churches destroyed.
  8. Paris effects a building loan of 600,000,000 francs.
  8. The Colorado potato bug invades Michigan and Western Ontario.
  8. Paris borrows one hundred millions of dollars to repair the ruins caused by siege, war, shell and fire.
  8. Blanco's forces in Venezuela are overpowered, and the havoc of battle and war is deplorable.
  8. At Berlin, Ont., 100 Sunday School children, by the breaking of a floor, were precipitated into the vats of a tannery, and one drowned and many injured.
  8. Tidal wave on Lake Superior, cause unknown, and the first occurrence of the kind. At Duluth the water was forced into the canal for half an hour at the speed of a horse, and the lake rose and fell in tide waves all the morning.
  9. New York Roman Catholics warned by the Bishop and priests to keep the peace July 12th.

9. Quesada with 200 Venezuelan troops lands in Cuba to aid the insurgents, and engagements follow.
9. Tornado at North Bend, Neb., and hail four inches in diameter. A hurricane of fifteen minutes at Elmira, N. Y., with ruin of everything in its track. Terrific wind and rain at Dayton, O., and vicinity, without a precedent in irresistible power. 54 buildings were demolished or damaged, 11 persons were killed and 50 wounded, while the damage was estimated at \$1,000,000. A mirage seen at Gloucester, Mass.; bays, headlands, ships and cities visible in the air. Tornado at Syracuse, N. Y.; loss \$100,000.
9. At Ashton, England, a pond, around which 40 persons stood fishing, was struck by lightning. It appeared like a broad ring of liquid fire around all the margin, and then suddenly contracted itself into a narrow compass in the centre of the water and disappeared, leaving the pond violently agitated, some of the anglers were thrown down insensible.
10. Semi-centennial and Commencement at Amherst, Mass.
10. New England editorial excursion to Montreal; 400 members of the press, &c.
10. Sixteen thousand Communist prisoners released at Versailles.
10. Fight with Ku-Klux in North Carolina; three of the sheriff's party killed and three wounded.
10. It is announced that the French ship *Souvenance* is lost on the African coast, near Good Hope, and all on board—hundreds—were lost. 150 dead bodies had washed ashore from the wreck.
- 11 The French Government indemnify Switzerland to the amount of 2,000,000 francs.
11. Superintendent Kelso, of New York, forbids the Orange display, and Gov. Hoffman revokes his order.
11. France pays to Switzerland a war bill of \$333,000.
12. "The Protestant League of America" formed.
12. In Australia millions of dollars have been spent to fortify the country against a fancied Fenian raid.
12. Terrible conflict in New York between the Roman Catholic Irish and the National Guards and police. The rioters attacked the Orange procession, were fired into, and dispersed by bullet and bayonet. Sixty-two persons lost their lives, and 137 were wounded; of the whole number 20 were Guards and four were women.
- 12-14. The Labrador calamity fully reported. Twenty-three families became extinct, twenty-three dwelling houses were destroyed, ninety-three men, women and children perished, three hundred and twenty-five fishing smacks were lost, and forty stores and \$1,500,000 worth dried fish were ruined.

13. Amherst confers LL.D. upon Horace Greeley.
13. First narrow gauge locomotive ever built in America shipped from Philadelphia to Pike's Peak.
13. A powder magazine exploded at Vincennes, France; the east part of the city shaken and damaged as by an earthquake; six persons killed and forty injured.
13. St. Joseph, Mo., visited by a tornado; houses were unroofed and blown flat in every part of the city, five persons killed, many injured, and the damage was put at \$200,000.
14. The editorial excursions break up at Newport, Vermont.
14. Hayti proffers Senator Sumner a medal, and it is refused.
14. The Austrian Minister announces his country already for fighting, having 650,000 men under arms.
- 12-14. In a battle in Cuba 100 insurgents are killed.
14. The Government arsenal at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, said to be totally destroyed by fire; loss \$1,500,000. Hail as large as hen's eggs fell at Rutland, Vt.
15. The ten members of the American Evangelical Alliance favorably received in Russia by Gortschakoff, and present their petition.
15. At a recent fight in Arizona 13 Indians and one soldier were killed.
15. Terrible fire at Riga; 30 vessels loaded with corn and hemp destroyed, with several millions loss.
16. Thermometer at Denver, Colorado, 105° in the shade.
16. Cholera ravages Russia, and appears in Poland.
16. Anti-Roman Catholic Socialist riot in Vienna.
16. Hurricane over New York city. Tornado at Louisville, Ky. Desolating hail-storm at Peterborough, N. H. Fearful storm, with great damage, at Vineland, N. J. The most destructive thunder, lightning, wind and rain storm ever known in Huron county, Ohio, entailing a loss of \$100,000. Destructive hail storm over five towns in North-western Massachusetts, "the severest ever seen there." In Sullivan county, N. Y., and Wayne and Pike counties, Pa., sleighs were run over the hail it was so deep. \$400,000 would not cover to-day's damages.
16. Petroleum explosion and fire at Rheims, France, caused extensive damage, 50 persons lost their lives or were injured.
17. The Grand Jury indict the two *Tribune* correspondents for refusing to divulge the treaty seller.
17. A hundred poor families burnt out at South Boston, Mass., crops, houses, barns, etc., consumed by woods fires at Sutton, Canada; a thunder-bolt from a clear sky fell on a farmer in Norwalk, Ohio, and killed him; and the Nahmor said to have foundered in the Indian Ocean whereby 30 persons lost their lives.

18. Commencement at Hamilton College, N. Y., and at Dartmouth, N. H.
18. The Apaches are invaded by five companies of U. S. Cavalry and fifty Mexicans under General Cook.
18. Great winds and rains at Augusta, La., destroyed property amounting to \$50,000, and a storm at Memphis "surpassing in fury and destructiveness everything known for years," wrecked a railway train, killed an engineer, and wounded 15 persons.
18. At Point au Petri, a city of 12,000 population, on Gaudaloupe Island, an incendiary fire consumed 16 out of the 21 blocks in the place, with wharves, shipping, etc., 10,000 people were made houseless and paupers, and the loss was many millions of dollars. Nearly 2000 buildings burnt, and the suffering great.
19. the 62d victim of the New York riot dies.
19. The scientific report of Cox-Huggins-Crookes on Spiritualism is published this month.
19. Earthquake at Wolfboro', N. H., the most violent ever known there; eight shocks occurred, twenty chimneys were thrown down and as many more damaged. The shock was felt all through New England.
20. The Queen cancels the royal warrant legalizing the purchase of army commissions.
20. Since the 15th France pays to Germany the sum of 462,-000,000 francs.
20. A week of riot on the railroad at Nannet, N. Y.
20. Locomotive explosion at Coal Pit, Pa., killing six men, and the machine thrown 900 feet. Destructive conflagration in the city of Libson and lives lost. Truckee in California again burnt and property valued at half a million in these fires.
21. Negro riot and insurrection put down in Jamaica Island.
21. At the Ingleside Regatta Amherst defeats Harvard.
22. The most remarkable aurora ever witnessed observed at Springfield, Mass., and elsewhere.
22. German troops begin to evacuate France.
- 22-26. Extraordinary "Passion Play" performed at Ober-Amergau, Germany.
22. In Guatemala the revolutionists take the capital.
22. An explosion at the U. S. arsenal at Washington shook the city, and a fire followed. Loss \$100,000. In San Francisco a disastrous conflagration consumed \$250,000. A water-spout in Nevada destroyed a railway track.
23. Prince Napoleon ordered to quit French soil.
23. Enormous forest fires in the Cascade Mountains, Cal. The Jennie burnt off the Battery, New York, loss \$125,000.

- First train for three months over the Jackson Railroad, Miss., floods having swept the road all away for 13 miles.
- 23-31. In a single storm at Coney Island 1500 feet of a beach to a depth of 80 feet was washed away.
24. United States Scientific Expedition to Brazil leaves New York.
24. Nineteen colored citizens of Hayti arrested and imprisoned for cannibalism.
24. Off Good Hope the Nickerson and six men went down.
25. The 114th planet discovered by Professor Peters.
25. The Miners' League seize the mines in Amador county, California
25. Heart rending account of the famine in Persia reach the civilized world.
25. Negro riot in Porto Rico and martial law proclaimed.
25. The greatest storm at Long Branch known for 20 years. Fifteen buildings valued at \$200,000 burnt at Frederickton, N. B. Collision of freight and gravel cars at Edwardsville, Ill.; 10 laborers killed and 20 injured.
26. New Spanish ministry formed, with Zorilla President.
26. Mazzini warns Italy of the Internationals, and declares them atheists.
26. St. Helena Island nearly ruined and made uninhabitable by unprecedented rain and flood; "the greatest ever known;" 500 people washed out of their houses, and the damage was irreparable.
27. Since the 16th the New York *Times* has opened its deadly batteries on the "Tammany Ring," which to-day seeks to buy and bribe it, but fails.
27. Disturbance at Canton, China.
27. Three children consumed in the extensive forest fires at New Lowell, Ont.
28. The Polaris heard from at Newfoundland.
28. Gilmore's World Peace Jubilee programme published to-day.
28. New York merchants propose to resist any further taxation by its corrupt municipality.
28. Eugenie, by letter, urges the Czar to be the friend of poor France.
28. The *Edinburgh Review* predicts war between Russia and Austria.
18. The State Engineer reports 298 human lives sacrificed on the railroads of the State of New York during the last year.
29. Jules Favre retires from the French Premiership.
29. Scathing exposure of frauds by the New York *Times*.
29. Lord Mayor of London's banquet.
29. Political riot in Goldsboro', N. C.; two killed and many wounded.

29. An Edinburgh paper reports 22 persons drowned in the two weeks ending to-day; all by miner accidents. At Navasota, Texas, a railroad slaughter killed seven persons and wounded twelve.
30. Indignation meeting in London to declare against the Prince Arthur annuity. 50,000 people at the meeting, and the government dare not interfere.
30. The Westfield explodes her boilers at New York. No such calamity ever before happened in the city. 400 persons were on board—men, women and children; the death of 106 was caused, 111 were scalded, maimed, burned, wounded, etc., and the Company's loss was \$500,000.
30. A tidal wave, the first ever seen on Lake Winnipisseogee, N. H., full five feet high.
30. At a hotel in Atlantic City, N. J., 30 persons were poisoned nearly to death.
30. Lightning struck a shed in Birmingham, Eng., where 20 school children had taken refuge, and one was killed and nine badly injured.
31. Prince of Wales hissed in Dublin.
31. Hail fell so deep at Albion, Wis., that sleighs were run over it; stones two or three inches in diameter. There was ruin of glass, corn, tobacco, etc., to the amount of \$250,000.
31. Persia, is reported to have lost fully one-third of her 10,000,000 population by famines, plague, flood, war, etc. A condition of things that has "no rival in horror since the plague of A. D. 1299.

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## AUGUST.

- 1-9. Fiji establishes a responsible government and holds a criminal court.
1. Outside Christendom to-day there are 4,000 stations or centres of missionary work, 2,500 congregations, 273,000 communicants, and 1,350,000 nominal Christians.
1. Charles Cleveland, a city missionary of Boston, aged 100, called on and prayed with James P. Rogers of Boston, aged 102 years—a rare event.
1. The Burlington, Vt., University votes to admit women to its privileges.
1. The cholera appears in England and France.
1. A plot discovered to burn Marseilles, Lyons, and Bourges; revolt feared, and a panic in South France.
1. Terrible floods in Switzerland. Great hail, destroying



- crops and fruit at Walla Walla, Oregon. Whole towns submerged.
2. Unusual fall of rain in the Districts of Tientsing, China, for a week past. On the 4th the Grand Canal and Peiho river burst their banks. By the 6th, 8th, the town, having a population of 500,000, was completely inundated; hundreds of horses, thousands of cattle, and 3,000 soldiers perished in the waters. The deluge continued, causing terrible suffering.
  3. The Prime Ministers of France, England, Austria, and Germany hold a conference on the International question.
  3. Fraudulent sale of \$9,000,000 Rockford and St. Louis bonds at Frankfort, Germany.
  3. The Sultan sends 2,000 troops to quell insurrection in Albania.
  3. An American brig wrecked in a gale on the Pacific, and twelve persons died of starvation.
  4. The Governor-General of Canada proclaims against Canadian-Cuban filibusters.
  4. The New York Chamber of Commerce declines Hall and Connolly's invitation to "audit accounts."
  4. The Central Pacific Railroad Company project a five-mile tunnel through the solid granite of the Sierra Nevada.
  4. Formidable Indian raid in Montana; two whites killed.
  6. Italian demonstration at San Francisco in honor of United Italy.
  6. Bloody political riot in Dublin. One hundred of the mob and police injured.
  7. His Royal Highness, Albert and party, leave Dublin amid hisses, but no cheers.
  7. Trial of the Communists begins at Paris.
  7. A tornado at Winneconne, Wis., tore down half the houses, prostrated thirty chimneys; churches, lumber, and grain ruined; a steamboat capsized, two men killed, and 50,000,000 feet of logs let loose.
  8. The Indemnification bill for the people of France becomes a law. Ballot bill passes the House of Commons, Eng.
  8. The most terrible thunder and lightning storm at Richmond, Va., known for years. Nitro-glycerine in the Hoo-sac tunnel exploded by lightning, and three men killed. Damaging floods in Northern Vermont, with hail and hurricane over Northern New York and Northern Vermont.
  9. Sir Walter Scott National Festival at Edinburgh.
  9. Another new planet discovered by Watson.
  9. The Sandwich Islands devastated by the severest hurricane ever felt there. All the orange groves destroyed, and 120 houses blown down.

- 9-12. At twenty-five observatories in France were seen at night 10,000 meteors of the August group.
- 10. The National Labor Party in session at St. Louis, Mo.
- 10. The House of Lords, Eng., reject the Ballot bill, by a majority of 49.
- 10. Hard battles and brilliant French victories reported for Algiers.
- 10. It is officially stated that in Buenos Ayres that from February to May, of a population of 180,000, from 75,000 to 100,000 persons were attacked with yellow fever, and 25,000 died.
- 11. The first train passes through Mt. Cenis tunnel.
- 11. Gigantic military preparations go on in Russia.
- 11. Frightful explosion of gun cotton at Stowe Market, Eng., causing the death of twenty-four persons, and serious injury to seventy-two others.
- 11-12. At the city of Tabreez, Persia, a hail, wind, and thunder storm caused a wreck and deluge such as never was seen there before. Whole villages were swept off, and crops ruined. At Tabreez 1,000 houses and 1,700 lives were destroyed. Besides this calamity, the death rate of Tabreez this week from famine, is from 300 to 900 daily!
- 12. The Emperors of Germany and Austria meet in conference at Weis.
- 12. Orange riot in Londonderry, and cavalry and police charge upon the mob.
- 12. A large meteor passed over Montreal, leaving a fire-train visible for ten minutes.
- 13. Non-sectarian schools established in Alsace and Lorraine.
- 13. The forests of Algiers set on fire by rebel Arabs.
- 14. The 106th Westfield victim dies!
- 14. New York takes the Massachusetts Bay Regatta Prize.
- 14. Revolution is successful in Gautemala, and a new order succeeds under Granados.
- 14. The Chautaugue explodes boilers at Whitney's Landing, N. Y. All on board, 40 persons, were thrown into the air some 300 feet. Eight killed and 14 wounded. The Pittston, Pa., coal mine horror occurred, and 17 miners were suffocated to death by the gas.
- 12-14. Great fire in the city of Valparaiso.
- 15. Dr. Hall heard from at Holsteinberg, Sweden, still 1,000 miles from the pole (July 31.)
- 15. Centennial anniversary of the birthday of Walter Scott celebrated everywhere.
- 15. The great Mohammedan insurrection in North China is still furious and formidable, and half a million of men are fighting.

15. Revolutionary symptoms, fears and panic in Paris.
15. A bloody election riot at Newton, Kansas, causing the death of four, and injury of five men.
15. In Ontario hundreds of square miles of valuable forest are burnt over; also destructive fires in the pine woods of Wisconsin and Michigan.
16. Japan making vast internal improvements.
16. Twentieth annual meeting of the American Science Association at Indianapolis, Ind.
16. A \$4,000,000 land robbery job turns up in Indiana.
16. Telegraphic communication opened with Japan.
16. Ninety fourth anniversary of the Battle of Bennington, Vermont.
16. Nail Manufacturers' National Convention, Pittsburg, Pa.
16. Steamship *Ladona*, from New York to New Orleans, foundered off the Florida coast. Of 32 on board, 21 were drowned, and cargo and ship lost, valued at \$300,000.
17. Miles Standish Consecration at Duxbury, Mass.
17. Russia's reply to the Evangelical Deputation is printed.
17. The Queen's name ferociously hissed at a Dublin banquet, and a toast to her is scorned.
17. Indian depredations in South Utah, and a war on the *tapis*.
17. The Arno in Italy overflows, causing immense ruin of crops. Terrible hail at Richmond, Ind. Eight horses consumed by fire at Charlestown, Mass. A recent shower of meat in Los Angeles, Cal.
18. The Internationals of Spain openly avow hostility to the Government; 7,000,000 of this Order in the world.
18. Roman Catholic outbreak against Protestants at Morelia, Mexico. The mob caused riot, fires, and death, and are put down by the troops.
- 18-19. Terrific gale and rain in Georgia and South Carolina, and great damage to crops, houses, telegraph, etc. Nine inches of rain in forty eight hours.
19. Vast and numerous sun spots seen this week.
- 19-21. Extraordinary and unprecedented flight of millions of butterflies, from 100 to 500 feet in the air, seen for three days at Hartford, Conn.
20. The Mission Indians in South Carolina at war, and 50 U. S. soldiers dispatched thither.
- 20, 21. Two hundred Indians ravage and murder in Arizona and California.
20. Russia, alarmed at German military progress says she is in the condition of France after "Sadowa."
20. Incendiary fires burn 50 buildings at Virginia City, Nevada; loss \$150,000. The army worm, worse than ever before, ravages the richest cotton fields of the South.

21. Prorogation of the British Parliament and the Queen's speech. England is at peace with all.
21. Puerto Plata (population 6,000) in San Domingo burnt; loss \$800,000. In a gale, thirty buildings burnt at Williamsport, Pa.; loss 225,000. Lexington, Ky., a \$50,000 fire. Warsaw, Ind., 13 buildings, and \$50,000. At Newark, N. J., a fire of \$80,000. Total in a day, \$1,205,000.
- 20-21. Awful hurricane over all the Antilles. On St. Thomas Island—size 5 by 17 miles—of a population of 12,000, 6,000 were made houseless, and 150 killed and mangled. 15 vessels were wrecked or injured. An earthquake accompanied. At Antigua every estate was damaged; 30 persons were killed and 100 wounded; all the ships wrecked. Abaco Island was swept through by the sea and made two islands, and scores drowned. At Turks Island there was earthquake and hurricane. At Tortola an earthquake and the storm made 7,000 people homeless. At St. Kitto 800 houses were destroyed and 40 estates ruined. Jamaica Island was shaken by an earthquake. The calamity caused the destruction of hundreds of lives, and perhaps ten million of dollars worth of property.
22. From the 5th to date (17 days) 300 earthquakes were experienced at Iquique, Peru, some very damaging. The English steamer Prince of Wales foundered off the Asiatic coast, and 50 lives were lost. A storm-burst occurred in Nebraska, quite damaging.
22. At Ihaugara, in India, on the hills, a cloud-burst and rain-torrent was followed by a thunderbolt that rent and tore the earth in a vast chasm, and all the huts there, with the inmates, fifty or sixty persons, were swallowed up in the pit. The *Times*, of India, says "such a catastrophe has never been known in Sind."
23. It is decided to prosecute the Tammany thieves.
23. Regatta at St. John, N. B.; 50,000 people present, and Renforth, of the Tyne crew, falls dead at the oar.
- 23, 24. The entire New York press demand that the city accounts be published at once.
23. A French steamship and cargo consumed at Marseilles loss \$500,000. A tornado at New Haven, Conn.
23. Storms in South Hungary of unknown severity, caused disastrous and extensive flood that bring a wide-spread ruin and misery. Barnate half under water, crops gone, and dismay of the people.
24. At Bologna, Italy, a church full of people is struck by lightning and 32 persons, mostly women and children, were either killed or injured.
24. Strange flight southward of myriads of peculiar flies

supposed to be the pestilence fly, seen at Philadelphia.  
"Had every appearance of a snow-storm."

24. The English ship *Leander* foundered at sea and all on board, twenty-one persons, were lost. Two others lost off Cape Horn. A schooner sunk and eight lives lost in the British channel. At Polack in South Russia 500 houses are destroyed by incendiary fires. and a fierce typhoon at at Yokohama did immense damage.
24. The Governor of Montana says an Indian war threatens.
24. France votes in Assembly to disband the National Guards.
24. Extensive Pension frauds discovered at Washington.
25. The unusual phenomenon of a tidal wave at New Bedford, Mass., the sea ebbing and flowing at intervals of fifteen minutes with great felicity. The *Annita* and eleven men sunk by the steamship *Java*.
25. Conflict between police and people at Rome, and several killed.
25. Battle between Reds and Whites in Uruguay, and the Government troops defeated, with four guns captured and 250 killed.
25. Great Italian Unity demonstration in New York.
25. Duluth canal opening.
26. In India, at Kundoorna, ten men are murdered by the Nuggurs.
26. A Carlist invasion of Madrid threatened, and a defence of the city inaugurated.
26. Whirlwind at South Amherst, Mass., and in Chemung county, N. Y., both very destructive. Lightning struck a hall full of people at Clifford, Pa., killed one, seriously injured five, and shocked hundreds of persons. Terrific hurricane for 20 hours in the Gulf, the coast strewn with wrecks. Tornado at Tallahassee, Fla., for three days, with a cataract of rain; Jacksonville two feet under water; the cyclone moves up the Atlantic; tornado in Boston and vicinity; every town on the coast devastated; tornado at Laconia, N. H., and at Labette, Kansas. This cyclone doubtless destroyed \$1,000,000 of property.
26. All the shores of Michigan seem to be a vast line of conflagration, and the smoke so dense as to hinder navigation and hide the light of the sun.
26. The Revere railroad horror seven miles from Boston. Eighty-three persons crushed, boiled, roasted, and wounded; 33 died and 50 were injured. The company's loss and cost \$225,000. Railway collision at Westport, Pa., killed and wounded 20 persons. Railway accident at Williamsport, Pa., killed 6, wounded 20, ruined two engines and nine cars.



27. A Prussian-Italian secret treaty is announced.
27. In Uruguay, Blanco is crushed and amnesty is proclaimed.
27. The steamer Ocean Wave, with 200 souls on board, at Mobile, Ala., exploded boilers, and 70 persons were either killed or badly injured. At Lamia, in Turkey, lightning struck and exploded a powder magazine; the thunder of the detonation shook and nearly destroyed the entire place; people, panic stricken, fled to the country.
28. Dr. Livingston again said to be "alive and well."
28. Capt. Hall reported at Disco, Greenland, Aug. 17.
28. Government troops win in numerous battles in Venezuela.
28. Reported Alliance of Germany, Austria, and Italy at Gastein to oppose Russia.
28. By explosions, wrecks, and collisions in Great Britain to-day nearly 30 persons lost their lives. Five sharp earthquake shocks at Calcutta. So terrible were these calamities that a sober Boston journal was led to say—"There is an accumulation of horrors. Such crises almost make us lose faith in the orderly regulation of mundane affairs, as if some derangement had crept into the forces of nature. It is as if the wrath of heaven were added to the culpable carelessness of man." But all this was only the beginning of this year's sorrows.
29. Aquatic carnival at Halifax, and the Taylor-Winship crew win.
29. News that all the Yabra villages in Algiers are destroyed by the rebels.
29. Great losses by rain and floods in Central New York and in Maine. The next day there was the greatest storm of thunder and lightning ever known at Great Falls and at Dover, N. H.
30. Spain decrees amnesty to all political offenders.
30. Deadly conflict between soldiers and citizens at Meridian, Miss.
31. The powers congratulate M. Thiers on the prolongation of his Presidential term.
31. A frightful tornado, the severest in twenty years, devastated the North Sea and all the Scandinavian coasts. The sea was strewn with debris, and in the Categat alone there were fifty wrecks. During the single month over 200 lives were lost by accident in the United States, and over 120 persons injured by railway cars, besides those already named. Fire at East Boston on the 2d burnt \$135,000; in New York and Chicago on the 18th, \$100,000; Amboy, Ill., the 25th, \$140,000; Jackson, Mich., the 28th, \$100,000. In Drury Lane, London, a very destructive fire on the



30th, and a petroleum fire at Trieste on the 31st caused heavy damage. In Russia the Nihilists destroyed by fire in two weeks property valued at \$14,000,000. South China was parched and dried up, and the drouth visited the whole valley of the Mississippi and Missouri, while in Texas cattle died for want of water.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. Sale of Imperial property begins at Paris.
1. The Icelandic Parliament is dissolved, and an absolutist government inaugurated by Denmark.
1. European Russia entirely overrun with cholera.
1. Italy declines joining the Gastein Conference.
1. Vesuvius in eruption. The Geysers of Iceland near Hecla become violently agitated; one threw up a column of water eight feet in diameter to a height of 84 feet.
- 1-10. The Canadian shores of Lake Huron all ablaze with gigantic forest fires; traffic impeded and lumber destroyed worth millions.
1. Floods near Canton, China. At Tientsing there is an area of flat country embracing 20,000 square miles under water, and 1,000 people said to be drowned.
2. Anniversary of Sedan celebrated in Germany.
2. Indictment of the "Westfield's" owners for manslaughter.
2. A typhoon at Macao destroyed the lives of over 300 Chinese; 12 vessels wrecked; ship Courier and crew lost.
3. Grand Duke Alexis leaves Cronstadt in the Svetland.
3. Rumored poisoning of Chinese by foreigners at Hong Kong occasions much alarm for the latter.
3. Eight hundred men under Blanco attack the city of Bolivar, S. A., and capture it with a loss of 125 men on both sides.
3. (Sun.) Fenian meeting of 100,000 people in Dublin, followed by riot in which fifty were badly hurt.
3. Iron and nail works at Wheeling, W. Va., burnt, the largest in the West; 300 men thrown out of employment, and loss \$300,000.
- 2-3. Five or six acres of a coal mine at Wilkesbarre, Pa., fell in from the surface to a depth of 200 feet.
- 2-12. Great and extensive floods in the region of Bombay. Floods in Lower Bengal over entire districts. A great drouth in Northwest Bengal broken by torrents of rains and floods everywhere. In East Bengal 6,000 square

miles of country are under water. "The mind can scarcely conceive of the suffering and loss by these unprecedented Asiatic floods."

4. Great Anti-Tammany meeting at Cooper Institute, New York, and the robbers arraigned at the bar of public opinion.
4. A trapeze in Reading, Pa., performs on the bar with head downward, hanging by his feet, a hight of three-quarters of a mile in the air, from a balloon.
4. Hon. John Scott says that in two counties in South Carolina, between Oct. 1, 1870, and July 1, 1871, some 450 people have been outraged, and eight murdered.
4. Destructive hurricane at Windom, Minn.
5. New England Fair opens at Lowell.
5. A section of the Commune established in Washington, D. C.
5. The Filomena announced capsized off Malta and eleven men drowned. Hurricane at Fremont, Neb., destroying property worth \$50,000.
6. Election and Republican victory in California.
- 5-6. Monster Musical Festival at Gloucester, Eng.
- 5-6. The Committee of Seventy commence active operations against the ring robbers in New York.
6. Sons of Temperance 27th annual session, Boston.
6. A Republican Committee of England issue a programme of principles, *a la Commune*.
6. Imperial Conference at Salzburg.
6. Spain inaugurates trial by jury.
6. "Goldsmith Maid" makes the best trotting time on record at Milwaukee—2:17.
6. Bar-Iron Manufacturers' Congress at Philadelphia, and ten millions represented.
6. American Pomological Society meet at Richmond, Va., and 26 States are represented.
6. A cyclone in the Gulf of Mexico. A \$250,000 fire at Utica, N. Y., throwing out of employ 300 men. Seventy miners suffocated to death by fire damp explosion at Wigan, Eng. On Lake Erie occurred the severest gale of the season.
7. Judge Barnard issues an injunction *v.* R. B. Connelly, of New York.
7. Sekoto, in New Zealand, while in rebellion, had 40 of his men killed by Government troops.
7. Steamer Leader lost at sea, and of 25 souls on board not one survived.
7. Extraordinary explosion in the sun seen and described by Prof. Young of Dartmouth College. Debris of hydrogen, or masses of solar fire, 5,000 to 15,000 miles long, were

- projected at a speed of 100,000 miles in ten minutes to a height of 200,000 miles from the solar surface. At night the earth's atmosphere responded with a grand aurora, "one of the finest ever seen."
- 6-7. The "most dreadful thunder storm ever known" at Yorkshire, Eng., occurred, and rain fell equal to 233 tons per acre.
  8. Mooshillock Mountain, N. H., 5,050 feet high, made a U. S. signal service observatory.
  8. M. Rossel, the hero of the Commune, sentenced to die.
  8. M. Thiers says the budget of war expenditures for France, for the fiscal year, is 4,196,000,000 francs!
  8. In Albania 4,000 insurgent mountaineers in battle with the Turkish troops fought six hours, and in all 1,000 men were killed and wounded
  8. Hundreds of persons mysteriously poisoned during a steamboat excursion on Chesapeake Bay.
  9. The 116th new planet discovered by America, and on the 11th the 117th new planet discovered by Germany.
  9. Threats in Rome to burn the Vatican, Pius's "Prison" of 11,000 rooms.
  - 9, 11. A dock fight in London between 90 men and women, lasting four hours, and all injured.
  10. Burial of Renforth at Newcastle, England; one hundred thousand people present.
  10. Another Cheney-Whitehouse church embroglio at Chicago.
  - 1-10. An unprecedented and appalling disaster to the Arctic whaling fleet occurs. Of 41 vessels comprising the fleet, 33 were crushed in the ice near Cape Behring, and abandoned with over 14,000 barrels of oil and nearly 100 tons of bone, valued with the fleet at \$1,500,000. New Bedford, Mass., loses 23 of the vessels and over \$1,000,000.
  11. International boat race at Saratoga, and the American Ward brothers win.
  11. Mayor Hall, of New York, requests Connelly to resign; he refuses.
  11. A boiler explosion at Newburyport, Mass., caused the death of six, and wounded two persons. In Whitehall, N. Y., thirty families are made homeless by fire. Since August 18 to date no such torrents of rain have fallen at Savannah, Ga., for 20 years, while all North Georgia and East Tennessee suffer with severe drouth.
  11. Awful typhoon on the Chinese Sea. At Hong Kong four ships were wrecked. It is said that 3,000 Chinese were drowned. Drouth prevails at Shanghai.
  12. "The vouchers," New York, discovered to have been stolen.
  12. Violent assault on the Jews at Bucharest in Wallachia.

12. Tornado at Kohala, Cal.; heavy damage.
13. The Pennsylvania Central leases the North Carolina railroad.
13. Sweden convokes the Diet to increase her army.
13. Twenty-three horses burned up at New York; a brig lost off Land's End, Eng., and a dozen men with it; great storms reported off Cape Horn, and many vessels lost.
14. The Hodge defalcation turns up; nearly half a million.
14. Norton, N. Y., Post Office defalcation \$115,000.
14. Wall Street gigantic "Lock up" plot revealed.
14. Hannah Roberts, a colored woman, believed to be 130 years old, burnt to death at Philadelphia.
14. Explosion of 250,000 torpedoes at New York, with ten casualties and much damage. At Pioche, Nev., 300 kegs of powder explode, killing six, wounding fifty, and shattering to pieces all the business portion of the town; damage is put at \$250,000. Mills burnt at Stroud, Scotland; 800 persons thrown out of employ; loss, \$250,000. Lehifka, a large town in Algiers, destroyed by fire.
15. The Jewish New Year, *Anno Mundi* 5632, begins.
15. The river Gumti, in India, rose suddenly. On the 17th, the water flooded all the near lands. The city of Jounpeer, on its banks, with 9000 houses and 25,000 inhabitants, was that week destroyed. From 2000 to 3000 houses were carried off by the waters, and as many more were undermined and ruined, while half the population are houseless paupers, in suffering and famine.
16. Grand Duke Alexis arrives at England.
16. Soldiers' Monument dedication, Providence, R. I.
16. In Carson, Nev., 29 criminals break jail, and in the melee six guards are wounded and one killed.
17. Mount Ceniz Tunnel, costing \$13,000,000, inaugurated with royal splendor; a train traverses it in 20 minutes.
- 17-24. This week Older's circus, with forty-one horses, was destroyed by fire at Reedsburg, nineteen of the brutes were literally roasted to death.
18. Connolly appoints Green Deputy Comptroller.
18. Army and Navy Monument founded at Boston.
18. It is announced that famine, heat and disease destroyed 1200 men of a Turkish army, near the Gulf of Persia, in Arabia.
19. Nebraska votes on a new Constitution.
19. Count Von Moltke made Marshal of the Empire.
19. Armed bands of Mexican marauders are said to have stolen 5000 cattle in Texas.
- 19-22. Virginia City, Nevada, had a terrible fire, consuming four blocks and burning over sixty acres; loss, \$750,000.
20. Anniversary of Italian liberation of Rome.

20. Cholera reaches Smyrna and Constantinople.
20. At Indianapolis, Ind., the banks of a street sewer in process of construction, fell in, burying thirteen men, eight of whom were killed.
- 10-20. The entire Russian press engaged in angry attacks on Germany.
20. Terrible riot in Lima, Peru; 20 wounded and 500 imprisoned; bullet and bayonet used.
20. Tidal wave alarm for a month on all the South Atlantic coast
21. The voucher thieves, Haggerty and Balch, of New York, arrested.
21. Secret Congress of Internationals begins at London, Karl Marx presiding
22. Mass meeting of 20,000 people in New York in support of Tweed.
- 21-22. The first colored coroner's jury in the Pacific States summoned by a Democratic coroner at San Francisco.
- 22-23. Steamship Lafayette burned at Havre, France; loss, in cargo and ship, \$780,000.
23. 14th anniversary Fulton street noon-day prayer meeting, held in North Dutch church, New York.
24. Jewish Day of Atonement begun at sunset.
24. National Convention of colored people at St. Louis, Mo.
24. A brick block burnt at San Francisco, five or six men half killed, and the property destroyed, \$1,000,000. Schooner C. F. Hurd and 11 men lost on Lake Michigan.
25. The Japanese Government by decree abolishes the Diamios, who have ruled 300 years.
25. At Hardman's Mills, Ala., a boiler exploded, six men were killed, one blown 300 feet away. In big Cottenwood, Utah, three large townships are burnt over. A steamship is said to have been lost on the coast of India, and 138 human beings went down with her.
26. Disraeli, in a speech at Hugenden, England, pronounces Queen Victoria physically and morally incapacitated from reigning much longer; England startled.
26. A ton and a half of gunpowder exploded near Newburg, N. Y., one life lost, and the earth shaken as by an earthquake. The severest rain and wind storm in Raleigh, N. C., known for many years, causing much damage.
27. By order of the Czar, women in Russia can now be surgeons, druggists, chemists, telegraphists, clerks, accountants, etc.
27. Brazil passes an emancipation act to free her 2,600,000 slaves; Parliamentary vote 44 to 33.
27. Hong Kong residents assert life unsafe in China, and petition England for aid to foreigners.



27. A great conflagration at Valparaiso, Chili, that consumed property valued at half a million of dollars. The forest fires of Wisconsin and Michigan sweep over miles and miles with alarming desolation. Forests, crops, buildings, etc., destroyed. In Kewaunee county alone 22 buildings are burnt, and the loss is a quarter of a million. Everything dry as tinder.
27. A deficiency of eighty-eight millions of bushels announced in the wheat crop of Great Britain. Coolie ship announced as lost on the coast of Martinique, with all on board. Two hundred dead bodies are washed ashore.
28. National Commercial Convention, Baltimore.
28. Terrible gales on the British coast. Ship *Hesperus* wrecked near the Weser's mouth and 24 men lost. In English waters 22 drowned. Explosion of fire-damp at Grisons, Switzerland, suffocating to death 30 miners. To date 75 men in Illinois are this season cut, injured or killed by reaping machines.
29. The Committee of Seventy sue the "Ring" to recover.
29. Democrats in Reform Meeting in New York resolve to purge the party of the rogues.
30. Peace Congress at Lausanne, Switzerland.
30. Lake Champlain bridged for a railroad at Ticonderoga and trains running.
30. Juarez re-elected President of Mexico.
30. Prof. Wilbur, at Paoli, Ind., fell from his balloon at the height of a mile in the air!
- 20-30. A Russian Fair held eight weeks at Novgorod had 300,000 attendants, and took \$125,000,000.
30. Russia has taken forcible possession of the Island of Saghalien; 32,000 square miles.
- 23-30. Awful rains and floods in all England and Scotland, with loss of life; 300 acres of land reclaimed from the sea overflowed, 300 feet of a \$250,000 pier destroyed, and the aggregate loss millions.
30. Warehouses consumed at Chicago and four men with them; loss \$1,000,000. At St. Louis, Mo., within three months twenty persons have committed suicide by jumping from ferryboats. At Meridian, Miss., on the 2d there was a fire of \$100,000 loss; Rahway, N. J., on the 3d \$140,000, and 100 men lost employ; Providence, R. I., the 5th, \$100,000; Oakdale, Mass., the 7th, \$175,000; Bloomington, Ill., the 9th, \$300,000; Saratoga, N. Y., the 14th, \$200,000; St. Albans, Vt., the 17th, \$120,000 and fifteen families houseless; St. Paul, Minn., the 16th, \$100,000; St. John, N. B., the 21st, thirty houses and stores burnt, \$150,000, and the same day, \$150,000 fire at Cardington, Pa. On the 29th a fire in Philadelphia destroyed \$175,000.



**OCTOBER.**

1. International money order system between this country and England goes into operation.
1. King Amadeus donated \$250,000 and received 30,000 petitions on a recent tour through Spain.
1. Fight in Fiji between 600 troops and rebels; many of the latter put to death.
1. Half the vintage of South France ruined by storms, hail, water-spouts and floods. Ship James Booth, with 19 men, lost in the Bay of Biscay.
2. Brigham Young arrested upon indictment for his evil deeds.
2. Military service made compulsory in Sweden.
2. The Commissioners of the Washington-Alabama treaty adopt fixed rules for petitioners.
2. Turkish army raised to 220,000 men, with 19 iron clads and 84 wooden ships.
2. Melilia, in Morocco, besieged by 12,000 Moors in arms against France.
2. In Wisconsin 100 families are now burnt out. Near Fox River the area of the fires is 120 by 30 miles. The people houseless and starving. No water. For 25 miles in length and 8 or 10 miles in breadth on the Wabash Railroad, fires rage two days, and crops, woods, meadows, are consumed.
3. Mayor Hall of New York summoned before a Police Court.
3. The "City Pay Rolls" published.
3. Sixty-second annual session of the American Board of Foreign Missions at Salem, Mass.
3. Ex-Governor Seward returns from his foreign tour.
3. A frightful hurricane, the severest ever known in the Gulf, wrecked the C. K. Hall, drowning all on board, and wrecking scores of other vessels, flooded New Orleans, Galveston, Houston and all the shores. The losses estimated by the million.
4. Democratic State Convention at Rochester, N. Y., and the Tammany Ring thrown out.
4. Protestant Episcopal Triennial Convention at Baltimore.
4. From August 26 to date, Wyoming, Arizona and other territories visited by destructive fires in the woods. For 40 days this devouring element consumed millions of acres of forest timber in the Rocky Mountains, making the air black with smoke.
4. Seven men drowned at Yarmouth, Eng., five more killed in a coal mine at South Wales, Eng., and in Belgium an explosion in a coal mine destroyed 37 men and badly

- burnt 12 others. In London an oil explosion injured 13 persons, four of them fatally—74 casualties.
5. The Mission Board at Salem announce 6000 Christians, missions at 43 places, and the gospel preached in 300 places in China.
  5. Democratic Reformers of New York City throw the thieving Ring overboard.
  5. An insurrection in Goa has been quelled by force of Portuguese arms.
  5. Fenian raid on Fort Garry and Manitoba suppressed by United States troops.
  5. Great earthquake in all Peru, S. A. The city of Iquique shattered, walls cracked, etc. In Terrapecca a great dam and 20 buildings destroyed. Matilla and Pica in the interior totally destroyed, not a house left standing; at Pica a great fire followed. Three other towns suffered badly. Five lives were lost.
  6. H. Rochefort's penal sentence commuted to banishment.
  6. Greatest drouth in the Western States known for 25 years, and terrible forest fires raging.
  6. Freight depots 2000 feet in extent destroyed by fire at Charlestown, Mass.; a women perished and hundreds of cars destroyed. Loss \$100,000.
  7. The Mormon Hawkins tried at Salt Lake City for adultery, on complaint of his wife.
  7. A railroad building from Yeddo to Yokohama and a locomotive running over it.
  7. At Rio Chico in Venezuela 130 rebels captured and put to death.
  - 1-7. Thirty-eight deaths by violence registered in London this week, six of them being suicide.
  7. Pensaukee, Wisconsin, is half devoured by the flames of the burning forests; 25 houses and 40 human victims to the fire. Damage to timber alone in Wisconsin is already put at \$2,000,000.
  8. Election riots in Philadelphia, many injured.
  8. All the business part of Sandhurst, a large town in Australia, destroyed by fire; loss half a million of dollars.
  - 8-9. A fierce wind, in some places a tornado, swept over all the Western States bordering on the Upper Mississippi where the drouth prevails. Strong electrical action pervaded the heated air and accompanied the wind. It drove the flames with great rapidity, and the result was baleful in the highest degree.
  8. Large conflagration at Chicago, the greatest that had ever occurred there. Four blocks were burned, one woman perished, and the loss was \$300,000.
  9. An electrical tornado fans the flames of the burning cities,

towns and forests of the West, and terrible calamities occur in Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota.

9-10. The burning of Chicago, a city of 300,000 souls. It was a raging, roaring hell of fire for 48 hours, without doubt the most destructive conflagration in any city for 500 hundred years, and perhaps the greatest that ever occurred. The whole country moved and thrilled with horror and sympathy. The fire was seen at a distance of 110 miles, and at the distance of two miles persons could see by its light to read the finest print. From 200 to 500 men, women and children are supposed to have perished—the real number unknown. From 75,000 to 100,000 persons were made homeless or paupers. The area of the burnt district is a mile and a half in width, and three and a half miles in length, or about five square miles, embracing the richest and most business portion of the city. 2000 wealthy mansions were burnt. The total number of buildings of all kinds consumed was about 18,000. This is 4000 more than were burnt in the great fire in London in 1666, and 3000 more than were destroyed at Constantinople June 5, 1870. Eight school-houses burnt valued at \$300,000. The total number of churches and chapels burnt was 75. In these, Protestants lost \$3,000,000, and Roman Catholics lost \$5,000,000. The loss to the United States was \$500,000 in the Custom House and Post Office, and \$2,500,000 (some say \$18,000,000) in the Sub-Treasury. The city corporation's loss was \$5,000,000. Eighty-nine newspaper concerns, every one in the city, were burnt up; their value estimated at \$10,000,000. There were also consumed 80,000 tons of coal, 1,600,000 bushels of grain, 17,500 books and 17,000 pamphlets in and with the Historical Society's library, full 3000 pianos, worth \$1,000,000, and \$1,500,000 worth of other musical instruments; 50,000,000 feet lumber, and 2900 grog shops (no loss). Hundreds of animals and domestic brutes perished. Sixty miles of streets were run over by flames, and 122 miles of sidewalk, valued at \$1,000,000, destroyed, and the desolated area reached 2400 or 3000 acres. Physicians estimate that there were 500 premature births during the three days of the raging of the element. 57 Insurance Companies were broke by the fire, the loss to Insurance Companies being \$88,621,122. The total destruction of property of all kinds by this gigantic calamity is from \$250,000,000 to \$300,000,000. By the 24th of October it was announced that \$100,000,000 in stock had been sunk by the fire. To the Chicago and other Western sufferers America has contributed \$5,000,000 and Europe \$1,000,000.

9. The town of Peshtigo, Wis., population 1,800, consumed:

by forest fire, and clouds of burning hydrogen driven by electrical tornado. Some 400 dwellings and as many other buildings devoured in an hour. In Peshtigo and the Sugar Bush region near by, 1,000 human beings were burnt up, and the loss in property was \$3,000,000.

9. Williamsburgh, Wis., burnt. Of a population of 78 persons, 74 of them perished in the flames. Negaunee burnt, and 100 persons destroyed. Forrestville burnt, and 50 souls were victims. At Birch Creek 13 were consumed. On the lake shore at Fox River 70 lives were lost. Brussels had 200 houses consumed and 22 persons burnt up. Every house except five in this Belgian settlement was burnt. At Little Sturgeon Bay 75 were burnt to death. The *Green Bay Advocate* gives a list of 30 villages burnt, and some 1,500 human beings devoured by the flames in the single State of Wisconsin. Perhaps 2,000 others were more or less burnt or injured. Seven large counties, each including more than a thousand square miles of pine forest, with scattered villages, were more or less run over with fire. The loss to pine timber and property in the State can not be less than \$10,000,000.

9. The city of Holland, Mich., population of 3,000, consumed. Five churches, 3 hotels, 68 stores, and more than 300 dwellings burnt, and 140 farms entirely destroyed. A clean sweep a mile wide and two miles long was made. Loss \$500,000. In Holland and vicinity were 6,000 homeless people.

9. Manistee, Mich., destroyed. Population 4,000. There were devoured by flame 200 dwellings, 6 mills, a dock and vessel. The place half burnt, loss in property \$1,300,000. There were made homeless 1,500 people. In Michigan the burnt district between Saginaw and Huron alone embraced 23 townships, in which nine-tenths of the houses and property were destroyed, and 19 townships partly burnt; total area 1,400 square miles. The total area of fire was a coast line on the lakes west, north and east of 400 or 500 miles, and variously of five, ten, and fifty miles in depth. One account says every county in the State suffered, and the property destroyed in a single week is put as high as one hundred millions of dollars. The *Chicago Tribune* says there are fifty thousand people in Michigan and Wisconsin alone who are burnt out of their all.

9-11. On September 29 a prairie and woods fire started at Kaka on Red river in Minnesota, 250 miles west of St. Paul, and in ten days it ran to the southeast a distance of 300 miles, ranging 100 miles in width. "The world never saw such a fire before." The sun was darkened and the

cinders filled the air. Big Woods and Red River Valley were destroyed, and Fort Abercrombie narrowly escaped destruction. In the track of this sea of flame, 350 scattered farms and farm houses were consumed, and 200 persons lost their lives. The loss to farms and houses is put at \$3,000,000. The pine and prairie territory ravaged embraced 30,000 square miles. In all these western fires it is computed that from 2,500 to 3,000 human beings perished in the short space of a week or ten days! The material loss can not be calculated by man.

9. At Collingwood, Germantown, and Sandwich, in Ontario, great fires destroyed 25 buildings, and the loss was \$100,000.
9. Violent and injurious earthquake at Constantinople.
10. The figures of the great frauds in New York published; the Ring have stolen nearly \$20,000,000 of the people's money!
10. Bloody riots in Philadelphia and three brigades of militia called out to put it down. Seven were killed and thirty wounded by pistols and guns.
10. Forty-one persons reported shot and hung in the streets of burnt Chicago.
11. The world thrilled at the awful Western fires, and all moving to aid the sufferers.
11. The Orpheus of Boston arrives at Hong Kong, and Boston knows it by sundown; distance 13,000 miles.
- 1-12. Pre-historic skeletons 8 or 9 feet high found in Virginia.
11. Praying Bands' Quarterly at Boston; 20 Bands represented.
11. In the interior of China, a mob destroy mission chapels and murder a missionary.
12. Anniversary of the discovery of America by Columbus and national salute of 37 guns on Boston Common.
12. Jubilee Celebration at the Episcopal Convention at Baltimore on the Fifteenth Anniversary of Domestic and Foreign Missions.
12. Strikes at Newcastle end, having lasted nineteen weeks.
12. The American Relief Fund for Chicago—only three days old—reaches \$2,500,000.
12. Executive Proclamation against the South Carolina Ku-Klux.
- 9-12. Brigham Young appears in Court at Salt Lake on trial.
- 11, 12. American Social Science Association, Boston.
12. Seizure of \$120,000 worth of tobacco in Boston by the United States.
12. Russia and Turkey are covering the Black Sea with vessels of war.



12. Windsor, in Ontario, in all its business portion, burnt by incendiary fires. Loss \$150,000. Within twenty days after the destruction of Chicago the torch of the incendiary was applied to fifteen large cities and towns in Canada and the United States.
12. Great earthquake in Ecuador, S. A. It occurred in Salta, a Republic twice the size of New York, and a population of sixty thousand. Oran, one of the principal towns, was totally destroyed. It disappeared in ten minutes, nothing remained but ruins. The convulsion lasted nine hours, and forty shocks were experienced. In the Province of Jujua the convulsion was very violent, and a volcano burst into eruption.
13. In Croatia, Austria, a revolt occurs and three captured leaders are hung, and many imprisoned.
- 11-13. Terrible wind and rain in Halifax and all Nova Scotia. "The heaviest hurricane known in twenty years." The Sophia and all hands were lost; tide rose two feet over the wharves; thirty vessels were damaged; loss \$200,000. In Maine, torrents of rain fell, rivers burst their banks, and five million logs broke away and ran down stream. Rain fell over Michigan and Wisconsin, also at Chicago.
13. Encke's comet makes its first appearance to New Haven astronomers.
14. Chicago Relief Fund reaches three million of dollars.
14. Young Men's Municipal Reform Association organized at New York.
14. Indians drive off 1,500 cattle in Texas.
- 14-16. Awful gale over Canada and all the lakes. Steamer R. G. Colburn foundered, and twenty or thirty of the crew went down with the vessel; loss \$100,000. In Ogdensburg and Malone, N. Y., a destructive tornado.
15. The Alsace-Lorraine Treaty signed in France.
15. English Workingmen in an address demand separation of Church and State.
15. Revolution in Mexico begins on the election of Juarez, and continues the rest of the year.
16. Bradaugh, at an immense meeting of London workmen, calls the Queen "insane," and demands a regency.
16. American Chicago Relief Fund runs up to \$4,460,000.
16. The Horton fishing vessel excitement at Gloucester.
16. More insurrections reported in Algiers.
- 14-16. Martial law in Texas.
- 17-18. The European and North American Railroad completed, and celebration at Bangor; President Grant present.
17. Martial law declared in nine South Carolina counties.
17. At Hague, in Holland, occur mobs and outrages.
17. It is announced that incendiary fires have consumed to



- ashes 800 dwellings in Bogooslau, in Odessa, a south province of Russia. A fire in London threw 1000 men out of employ, and caused a loss of \$100,000.
18. Twenty-eighth annual session of Sons of Temperance, Boston.
19. Reform Movement and Alliance of Peers and Workingmen in England.
- 18-19. Franco-Prussian Treaty of Peace ratified.
19. From Persia comes news of insurrection, war and captivity.
19. Earthquake in Maine. Great gale on Lake Erie and much damage at Buffalo. Sand storms in Los Angeles and San Bernardino Co., Cal., scattered and destroyed 50,000 sheep.
20. Capt. Hall heard from at Upper Navic, Greenland, Sept. 5, "all's well."
20. Queen Victoria seriously ill.
20. Elective Franchise instituted in Egypt, and the women permitted to go unveiled.
29. Nihilist disturbance and arson in Russia.
20. In Santa Cruz county, Cal., fire ravaged a region nine miles long and four miles wide, covered with farm property. Cameron, Mo., burnt by incendiaries; loss \$132,000.
21. Reported discovery of an open polar sea, swarming with whales. Germany has the honor.
21. Hawkins, of Utah, convicted of adultery.
21. Workinfimen's riot at Lincoln, England.
21. A \$130,000 fire at New York. In Campbell county, Ky., many square miles of forest and field burnt over.
22. Seven expeditions reported at work to find the North Pole.
22. The Franco-American postal treaty a failure.
22. Romanists cause mobs at Scranton, Pa.
23. National Police Convention, St. Louis, Mo.
24. 300 Ku-Klux in South Carolina surrender in a panic.
- 23-24. National Insurance Convention in New York.
24. 2500 Mormon women petition Congress in favor of polygamy.
24. Terrible riot and massacre of 19 Chinese by 500 infuriated whites at Los Angeles, Cal.
- 23-24. Extensive forest fires in Livingston, Niagara, Genesee, Wayne, Seneca, and Monroe counties, New York. Three persons burnt up near Auburn. The city of Rochester so filled with smoke that lights are needed all day. The forests and mountains of West Maryland a sheet of flame. Near Troy, N. Y., terrible fires rage. In Orleans county, N. Y., 1,000 acres are burnt over; near Medina, "thousands of acres." Near Albion, N. Y., a fire raged five

- days, and destroyed 1,500 cords of wood, 175,000 tons of hay, 12 houses and 12 mills. At Black Creek, Ontario, terrible fires rage, and near Dauphin, Pa., the mountains on fire for miles. "From all parts of the world," says the *Tribune*, N. Y., "we continue to receive tidings of destruction of life and property by flood, fire, and shipwreck."
24. At Nord, France, a boiler explosion killed 10 and wounded 20 persons.
  26. Civil suit *vs.* William M. Tweed for \$10,000,000 is commenced by C. O'Connor at Albany.
  26. Baltimore Episcopal Convention adjourns *sine die*, after a session of 20 days.
  26. Fires rage on the mountains near Ludlow, Vt., and west of North Adams, Mass. In San Joaquin county, Cal., crops have failed two seasons and 1,000 people suffer want. A coal mine explosion in Durham county, England, suffocated to death 33 men. Destructive fires on the north coast of California.
  27. Tweed arrested, and released on \$2,000,000 bail.
  27. Count Von Beust policy triumphant, and the Austrian Ministry resign.
  27. At Macon, Ga., Weston walks, without stopping, fifty and a half miles in 9h. 49m. 45s.
  27. Another revolt in Goa.
  28. Victoria announced to be insane and a spiritualist, and the Royal family hold council over it. She refuses to sign public papers.
  28. Brigham Young and his son indicted for murder and a warrant issued for their arrest.
  28. The Cuban war this year costs Spain \$62,000,000.
  28. The stack of an iron furnace exploded at Youngstown, Ohio, badly injuring 9 men and destroying property worth \$75,000.
  29. President Grant appoints November 30 a National Thanksgiving Day.
  29. Sunday: day of fasting and prayer at Chicago.
  30. Boston Relief Fund for Western sufferers is \$425,668.
  30. Great excitement in England, and comments of the press upon the Queen's health.
  30. Governor Bullock of Georgia disaffected, resigns.
  30. Private conference of Gortschakoff and Bismarck.
  30. The London *Spectator* says if the Persian famine lasts another year, Persia will be blotted from the list of nations.
  30. International conspiracy at Barcelona.
  30. Severe and damaging earthquakes in all the West Indian Islands. We also record the failure of crops, with want and destitution reported for Italy, the continuance of the horrors of famine in Persia, and the deaths during the

past summer by yellow fever in all the Argentine Republic of not less than 60,000 persons. The fire list of October is estimated to be not less than five hundred millions of dollars.

31. The National Guards of France are all disarmed.

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## NOVEMBER.

1. Chicago and other fire Relief Funds at London reach \$225,000.
1. Alarm in Russia at the non-arrival here of Alexis.
1. Vermont University at Burlington decides to admit women as pupils.
1. Several districts in Venezuela in a state of siege.
1. The Michigan fires still raging, and the people in fear. "Smoke so dense as to obscure the sun at noon-day."
2. Russia's war debt is \$1,480,000,000.
2. Cholera said to be dying away in Prussia.
2. Queen "Vic.'s" fortune reported to be \$35,000,000.
2. The assets of the Chicago Fire Insurance Companies discovered to be \$30,000,000, and their losses \$20,000,000. They are sued by the State's Attorney of Illinois.
3. The Workmen of Europe decide on a general strike.
3. France continues the Anglo-French Commercial Treaty.
3. The Catacazy difficulty discussed in St. Petersburg and Washington circles.
3. Algerian resurrection reported at an end.
4. Five hundred thousand dollar fraud in the Indian Bounty Department dated at Washington—J. W. Wright the accused.
4. Registration Day in New York.
4. Brazil proposes to organize a free school system.
4. North Carolina Bond Fraud ventilated; only \$20,000,000.
4. Russia has in a single week's war acquired of China the Province of Thian-Chan-Pe-Bo, which is in area 65,000 square miles, and has a population of 2,000,000.
4. A great and destructive fire in the city of Gautemala.
- 5- The \$20,000 horse "Hamiltonian" died at Richmond, Ky.
5. Saltillo, Mexico, besieged by revolutionists; 100 troops killed.
- 4, 5. Battle of Yangué, Honduras; the rebels defeated, with many slain.
5. A frightful panic in a colored church at Louisville, Ky.,

- caused the death by trampling under foot of 9 women and 3 children, and the injury of 75 others.
6. New York orders four regiments under arms for to-morrow's election.
  6. Sir Charles Dilke attacks the English Throne.
  6. New York had a \$120,000 fire.
  7. Election day in nine States, and great Republican victories. New York Republican.
  7. Count Von Beust, Chancellor of Austria, resigns.
  7. The famous Tichborne trial resumed.
  7. Peter B. Sweeney, of the "Ring," resigns his office.
  7. Maximilian statue unveiled at Vienna.
  7. Education in Paris made compulsory and gratuitous, but not entirely secular.
  7. Bloody election riots and outrages in Texas.
  7. Hellish attempt to burn the Milford, Mass., school house while 200 children were in it.
  8. Germany appoints a Diplomatic Convention at Dresden to devise measures *v.* the Internationals.
  8. The French Minister of War prohibits the circulation of newspapers in the army.
  8. Three States in Mexico in revolution; Diaz in the field against Juarez.
  8. A Gloucester vessel, the F. E. Riggs, and all hands lost on the Banks.
  9. At Madrid a "League" is formed *v.* the Internationals.
  9. Brooklyn, N. Y., gets excited over election frauds and a "Brooklyn City Ring."
  9. In France a coal mine explosion at St. Etienne while the gangs were at work killed by suffocation 61 men. A brilliant aurora so bright in New York as to "cast shadows." It was visible everywhere, and seemed in its glorious crimson like an immense fire. In all New England it was one of the most remarkable witnessed for years.
  - 8-10. In Knobnoster, Mo., rain descended continuously for two weeks over a spot twenty feet square from a clear and cloudless sky. (This *lusus naturæ* also occurred at Mobile, Ala., on the 3d Nov., 1870.)
  9. Other rivers in China reported to have burst their banks; dead bodies by the hundred found on the desolated plains; thousands will perish of famine.
  9. A meteor fell and rolled along the ground beside a traveling carriage at South Easton, Mass.
  10. Brooklyn, N. Y., holds a great indignation meeting.
  10. Statue of Schiller unveiled at Berlin.
  10. National Steamboat Convention, Louisville, Ky.
  10. An election riot reported at Lima, Peru, causing the death of six, and wounding of seventy persons.

10. A car load of United States soldiers thrown from the track at Wellsville, Mo., and two killed with fifty wounded.
11. The advance vessel of the Russian fleet arrives in New York harbor.
11. First native Methodist Episcopal Church in Mexico just formed.
11. New educational measures pushed forward in Russia by the Czar.
11. Mob at Valencia, Spain, dispersed by cavalry.
11. At Plymouth, Eng., by collision, a schooner and crew of ten men lost, and at Pottsville, Pa., three little children suffocated to death in a coal mine.
11. Solar phenomenon seen at Buffalo, N. Y. The sun at setting took a conical form, elongated as if it were molten iron, and the sides run down into the lake, magnifying it to twice its usual size. In the centre of this long mass was plainly visible the figure of a ship, as if she were sailing in the sun.
12. The Queen recovers, and a Regency is abandoned.
12. Habeas corpus suspended in Union Co., S. C.
- 9, 12. Expected battle in Venezuela between 4,000 troops and 3,000 insurgents under Herrera.
- 8, 12. Seven whites killed and two wounded on the stage in Arizona; Fred. W. Loring murdered.
12. The Tiber in Italy, by months of rain, flood all its valleys; enormous losses.
- 12-14. Anniversary of the November star showers; very few seen to fall.
13. The Supreme Court of the Washington District decides that Congressmen are not exempt from arrest by civil process.
13. Russia plans a canal from the Black and Caspian seas—370 miles, to cost \$80,000,000—30,000 men are in six years to dig out 78,380,000 cubits of earth.
13. The Franklin, from Stettin, with cholera on board, is at New York Quarantine.
13. Bonapartist plot comes to light in Paris.
13. Thirty-five Apaches killed by friendly Indians in Arizona.
13. Extensive incendiary fire at Geneva, Switzerland.
14. A Turkish firman inaugurates public improvements.
14. Extraordinary storm from Europe to California. Thirty lives lost by wrecks in England. Damaging gale and high water at New York and Brooklyn. Long Branch nearly destroyed. Charleston, S. C., flooded, and half the city under water. Estimated loss \$1,000,000.
15. The "Egypt," the largest vessel afloat except the Great Eastern, arrives at New York; length 450 feet; tonnage 5,150. Three deaths from cholera at New York.

15. American and British Claims Commissioners meet at the National Capitol.
15. The Gloucester fishing season ends. More vessels lost (22) than in any former year, and more lives lost (140) than in any other year save 1862; 45 widows and 90 orphans made. Loss in property, \$103,680.
15. Diamond Mills at Peoria, Ill., burnt; loss \$200,000. Colliery explosion at Wigan, England, shook all the place like an earthquake, and killed eight men.
- 15-20 A fire at Hakodia, Japan, destroyed nearly the whole town; loss over half a million of dollars.
16. The "Auk," an Arctic bird, visits New England for the first time.
16. Over the Oxford coal mine at Scranton, Pa., 20 acres of land settled, and the town endangered. Loss \$130,000.
17. General Sherman and staff leave in the Wabash for Europe.
17. The 56th anniversary of the independence of Switzerland.
- 15-17. The National Congregational Council meet at Oberlin, Ohio.
17. Furious hail storm at Dallas county, Texas. Men and stock killed in the streets; houses unroofed, and hail as large as hen's eggs.
18. The Russian fleet arrive at New York with the Grand Duke Alexis.
18. By explosion at Coblenz, Germany, three persons were killed and a dozen wounded.
19. Forty cholera cases in New York Lower Bay.
19. The Spanish Ministry resign and the Cortes arrays itself against the King.
19. Collision of two ships in the Mersey, England, sinking both and drowning 20 or 30 persons. The cotton crop of the South is reported one-quarter or one-third destroyed by worms, &c.
20. Connelly resigns the Comptrollership of New York, and Green is sworn into the office.
20. Dr. McLeod, the Queen's physician for 14 years, says she is not insane.
20. Trial of Homeopathic physicians before the Mass. Med. Society.
20. The floods at Teinsing reach their hight, but do not subside. Forty thousand drowned out and starying in the city. The Peiho for 140 miles has overflowed a vast track, thickly inhabited, embracing 4 prefectures and 59 districts.
21. The Prince of Wales taken suddenly ill of Entric fever.
21. Seizure of the books of W. F. Weld & Co., Boston.
21. Grand reception of Duke Alexis at New York.



- 22. The United States and Spanish-Cuban difficulties assume a serious nature.
- 21. Corner stone of an M. E. Church laid at Salt Lake.
- 22. Minister Schenck, at London, accused by the English and American press of engaging in commercial and stock operations.
- 22, 27. Angry popular demonstrations at Brussels and all Belgium.
- 22. Authorities of Paine county, Arizona, say that 500 citizens of the States have been murdered by Indians.
- 22. The Ohio river runs so low that 60 coal mines are stopped, and 100 tow boats and 6,000 men lie idle; loss per diem \$75,000. Steamer City of New London burnt on the Thames, Conn.; 22 lives lost; the boat loss was \$100,000.
- 23. North Carolina talks of repudiating her debt of only \$35,000,000
- 23. Alexis visits the Capitol and the President.
- 22, 23. Anti monarchy Mass Meeting in Bristol, England, and the throne denounced.
- 23. A \$200,000 breach of promise case in San Francisco.
- 23. Two auroral rings seen encircling the moon in a clear sky at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Terribly rough, cold, disastrous winds.
- 23. A \$170,000 fire at Newark, N. J. In Kansas, Montana and Wyoming men, soldiers, Indians and cattle perish by the dozen with cold. "Storms unprecedented in severity on the Plain."
- 23. A lighter crowded with Algerine Mohammedan pilgrims to Mecca sunk by collision near Alexandria, Egypt; and 75 persons drowned. On a boat in the Pacific Ocean 23 Japanese seamen starve to death, and others suffer terribly.
- 22. A colliery explosion at Bromish, England, killed 8, and another at Haversford wounded 20 persons. About this time the English ship Nonpareil foundered, and 19 persons went down.
- 24. The illness of the Prince of Wales assumes an alarming type.
- 24. A Democratic-Republican plan discussed in Washington to defeat the re-election of U. S. Grant.
- 25. Catacazy is dismissed and General Orloff made Charge de Affairs of the Russian Legation.
- 25. Romish Anti-Bible war begins at Hunter's Point, L. I.
- 25. Connelly arrested and bail fixed at a million.
- 25. Congress has 800 bills before it for the next session.
- 26. Sixty deaths by small pox in Cincinnati last week.
- 26. The Marmion and Osceola collide on the Irish coast—the latter sunk with 9 men.

- 27. The Italian Parliament holds its first session at Rome and the Holy Father "sticks."
- 27. Trade Mark Convention between Austria and the U. S.
- 27. German Diet opened by the Emperor.
- 27. Five hundred thousand workmen on a strike in Germany.
- 27. Two thousand Ku-Klux arrested in South Carolina.
- 27. Russia establishes two frontier camps of 180,000 men each.
- 25, 27. Prussia demands apologies from Brazil, and sends a fleet to back it.
- 27, 28. At Havana, the authorities arrest 45 students and shoot dead 8 of them for a trifling offence; also two negroes shot. One father died of grief and two mothers went insane.
- 27. Germany fortifies the Vosges.
- 27. Hurricane at Cape Breton. Tide four feet higher than ever known before, with tidal waves; 12 vessels wrecked, and a loss in buildings, trees, shipping, &c., \$100,000.
- 28. Early winter with cold weather sets in.
- 28. The Supreme Court of New York pronounces mock marriages to be legal.
- 29. Admiral Lee with a fleet ordered to Cuban waters to protect the interests of our country.
- 29. Spain sends 30,000 more men to fight in Cuba.
- 29. Saltillo, Mexico, is partly captured while defended by 1,000 Mexican troops.
- 30. Ex-Comptroller Richard B. Connolly, for lack of a million dollars bail, is put in Ludlow street prison.
- 30. National Thanksgiving and terrible cold.
- 30. A Communist mob at Brussels.
- 28-30. Millions of dollars damage by early and sudden freezing of all the rivers, lakes and canals in the North; 600 boats with 5,000,000 bushels grain, potatoes and apples froze in the New York canals. Heavy losses in Canada. Terrific gales all over the land, and men in many places frozen to death. Off Cape Cod the *Atwood* and her crew of 6 men were all lost. Said the *Boston Journal*, "The list of disasters by fire and flood the present season is quite unprecedented. Shall we have an earthquake or tidal wave to crown the catalogue of misfortunes in the eventful year of 1871?"

**DECEMBER.**

1. Sudden water famine at Boston by the freezing of Cochituate.
1. French Assembly meets.
1. Disturbances in Belgium. Resignation of the Ministry.
1. A sorrowful rumor in Egypt that Sir Samuel Baker and 700 of his men exploring Central Africa had died of starvation. Terrible explosion in the powder and cartridge factory at Fort Agra, India, blowing 36 men to atoms.
1. Disasters on the great lakes this season numbered 1,167. Two hundred and seventy-one lives lost; of these 214 were drowned.
2. Great excitement in Spain over Cuban affairs, and King Amadeus says he will go to the island.
2. Two hundred and thirty-three deaths from small pox in Philadelphia this week.
2. England and the United States threaten to interfere in Cuban affairs.
4. President's Message sent to Congress. Reports of the Secretaries are published.
4. Boutwell reports a decrease in the National debt of \$94,327,708.84 during the fiscal year.
4. Murderous assaults on German soldiers in France cause the occupied cities to be put in a state of siege.
4. Warwick Castle, England, damaged by fire and the loss in antiquary very great. On the 5th a very destructive fire in the elegant shops of Paris.
5. The Diamond Fields of South Africa are all annexed to England.
5. The Pacific Railroad blocked with snow, and storms cause death and suffering on the plains.
5. Agricultural Congress at Selma, Ala.
5. Revolutionists said to have taken Zailar, in Venezuela, after a hard battle, and made 500 prisoners.
5. War in Fiji: a village burned and 15 natives killed.
5. Cattle on the plains in Texas "dying by the scores of thousands" by reason of excessive cold. Dreadfully damaging storms at the city of Portland, Oregon. One thousand five hundred sheep burnt to death by the fires on the St. Joaquin Flats, Cal.
6. A London English Court renders proceeds of rebel war material to the United States.
6. New Brunswick and Prince Edwards sea cable breaks. Ontario Legislature opens.
6. National Board of Trade meet at St. Louis, Mo.

6. P. S. Gilmore returns from Europe elated with extraordinary success.
6. In Polynesia all the whites are expelled, and a war steamer is sent to investigate.
6. Saltillo, Mexico, is captured.
6. A \$110,000 fire at Birmingham, Pa., and an \$83,000 fire at Hagerstown, Md., with five or six casualties. Two vessels with 16 men lost near Halifax, and Prince Edward's Island badly damaged in a gale. At Lincoln, Ill., 24 buildings were burnt.
7. Anarchy in Mexico, Venezuela, and Cuba.
8. The Grand Duke Alexis arrives at Boston.
8. Orleans Princes demand their seats in the Assembly of France.
8. The Prince of Wales dangerously ill, and said to be past hope of recovery.
8. The Fish-Catacazy Letters made public.
9. Municipal elections in Spain result in a radical triumph.
9. The telegraph operators of England on a strike.
9. Woman's Suffrage Convention at Boston.
9. The mare "Kate" trotted 20 miles in 59 minutes 32 seconds at San Francisco.
10. Sunday parade of the Internationals of New York, in memory of M. Rossel, broken up by the police.
10. Great distress and suffering in Paris among the poor. Deep snow, weather intensely cold, many frozen to death, and hundreds of accidents daily.
11. Total eclipse of the sun over the Indian Ocean.
11. Congress agitated over Senator Trumbull's resolution for a thorough inquiry into Government affairs.
11. The Internationals decide they will parade on next Sunday, cost what it may, and petition the Governor about it.
11. Municipal election in Boston; Gaston re-elected Mayor.
11. Free Religious Convention at Syracuse, N. Y.
11. The expense of the United States census of 1870 reported to be \$3,287,600.
11. Political disturbance and bloody mobs reported for Paraguay, S. A.
12. The Ocean National Bank at New York fails.
12. France votes 289 to 277, to alienate the Crown jewels to the State.
13. Sensation dispatch relative to an angry altercation between the Czarowitch Alexander of Russia and the German Foreign Minister—not confirmed.
- 11-14. Balls and banquets to Alexis in Boston.
13. The inhabitants of Turk's Island, desolated by earthquake and wind, reported in a starving condition.
13. Jeffersonville, Texas, had a \$100,000 fire, and Paterson,

N. J., a \$200,000 fire, with 212 persons thrown out of employ.

14. Grand Duke Alexis leaves Boston for Montreal.
14. The Prince of Wales said to be better.
14. Wyoming Territory still retains woman suffrage.
14. The arbitrators meet in Conference at Geneva, Switzerland, to settle the Anglo-American claims; Adams, from the United States; Cockburn, from Great Britain; Selopis, from Italy; Estampfi, from Switzerland, and Itajuba, from Brazil.
14. The Apportionment Bill is passed by the United States Congress, the House to consist of 283 members.
15. Holland sells the Island of Sumatra to England.
15. Tweed arrested at New York City for his sins.
16. Italy reported constantly afflicted with earthquakes, causing both damage and panic. At Havre five sailors drowned.
17. One thousand five hundred Internationals succeed in having a quiet Sunday procession in honor of poor Rossel at New York. The Red Flag is carried.
17. Ten thousand people reported drowned out by floods in India.
17. Switzerland forbids the Jesuits to form communities or teach in the Republic.
17. A terrific snow storm blocks the Pacific Railroad near Cheyenne for eight days.
17. Reported failure of the Diaz Revolution in Mexico; 14,000 Government troops are in pursuit of Diaz and his 4,000 men.
17. An infernal attempt made by incendiaries to burn what remains of Chicago. (Is it the International?) Seventeen persons carried down in the Costa Rica, sunk by collision in the British Channel.
18. General Butler presents a memorial to Congress for female suffrage.
18. The Pacific and Atlantic Telegraph Companies petition Congress for incorporation.
18. The American Peace Society Congress at New York.
18. Russia gives furloughs to 50,000 soldiers.
18. Social farewell to missionaries at Boston.
18. A bill introduced into Congress to incorporate a company who are to girdle the earth with a telegraph.
18. Burgos, in Mexico, reported captured by revolutionists.
19. The Geneva arbitrators adjourn to June 15, 1872.
19. First direct season arrival of teas from China at Boston.
19. The Orleans Princes take seats in the French Assembly.
19. The Suez canal put into the market by Lesseps.
19. President's Message to Congress on Civil Service.

19. The Committee of Seventy request Tweed to resign.
19. Fourth National Bank at Philadelphia suspended.
19. Poor harvests and terrible floods in Banate, the "corn chamber" of Hungary, "thousands of acres" under water, causing pauperism, famine and typhus. In a single commune of 900 persons, from twenty to thirty die weekly of epidemic and starvation.
20. Gold 108 $\frac{3}{4}$ —the lowest since 1862.
20. Great alarm in all our cities at the terrible ravages of the small pox.
20. Hoar's Labor Commission Bill passes the House.
20. M. Thiers promises religious equality in France.
20. A United States protectorate over Mexico talked of.
20. Three railway accidents in this country killed four and wounded twenty persons.
21. Senator Sumner offers a "One Term" bill in the Senate.
21. Japan closes the Buddhist Temples and tells the priests to go to work for a living.
21. Spain sends 1,000 men to reinforce the Cuban army.
- 21-23. Outrages and negro insurrection in Chicot county, Ark.; a man murdered and three lynched.
21. Revolt of Sepoys at Goa, in India, announced.
21. At Pleasantville, Pa., forty families are burned out. The British steamer Delaware reported lost, with all on board.
- 20-25. California deluged with rain; nineteen inches fall. Stockton, San Jose, and Gilroy half under water. Two vessels and some twenty men lost.
- 20-23. At Roshiwara, Japan, a great conflagration consumed 400 houses, and not less than eighty women perished.
21. A large blue, purple and red meteor visible at Bangor, Me.
22. Russia makes her language compulsory in the schools of Poland.
22. M. Thiers dissolves the Council of Algiers.
22. Germany threatens retaliation on France for repeated outrages on German soldiers.
22. Alexis visits Niagara Falls.
22. Riot at Curacao, Cuba; troops fire on the crowd, killing one and wounding nineteen persons.
22. Victor Emmanuel's army budget shows a deficit of \$30,000,000 and an army of 546,442 fighting men, while the debt of the Kingdom is \$1,500,000,000.
23. Russia has just organized 15,000 public schools.
23. New York Gas House explodes; 13,000 families in darkness.
23. Terrific tornadoes. At Toledo, O., no such wind was ever known. The storm stretched clear across the continent; with deep snows on the high lands. Hurricanes in Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and



- Missouri. In Essex county, N. Y., there was violent thunder and lightning. The damage is estimated at \$500,000.
24. The Committee of Seventy set detectives at work to watch the New York Legislature!
25. Russia, Austria and Turkey request Roumania to settle her railroad obligations.
25. Russia conscripts six men in every 1,000 for military service in 1872.
25. Murder, outrage and Ku-Kluxism in Sabine county, Mo. and five killed. The greatest tragedy that ever occurred in Vermont—five shot at Arlington.
26. Fresh gold discoveries in South Africa.
26. The Captain General of Cuba authorizes barbarous measures for all insurgents.
26. A family of six persons burnt to death at Flories, Iowa.
27. The Chinese Government proposes to send her sons to be educated in American schools.
27. Tweed disappears, and a dozen detectives are after him.
27. The Austrian Reichsrath opens.
27. The trouble in Chicot county, Ark., is ended.
- 27 28. A \$150,000 fire at East Cambridge, Mass., and the largest fire ever known there at Little Rock, Ark., \$100,000 burnt up.
28. The Austrian Emperor addresses the Reichsrath.
28. Italy by royal decree confirms the recent American-Italian Treaty of Commerce.
28. Trial of 107 citizens in Arizona for killing Indians; a verdict of not guilty.
29. Union Pacific Railroad free from snow.
29. Valmaseda removed from the Governorship of Cuba.
29. Queen Victoria thanks England for its sympathy during the Prince's illness.
29. The city of Lyons in a state of siege by the French.
30. The New York Ring is now broken up, imprisoned, resigned or dispersed. A good record with which to end 1871.
30. At Monroe, La., 60 buildings were consumed by fire, and the wealthiest portion of the city laid in ashes, the loss put at \$589,000. A ship with 2,200 barrels of turpentine on board burnt on the Thames, England; loss \$100,000. A road engine surrounded by a crowd of juveniles exploded boilers at Glasgow, Scotland, causing the death of 12 of the children. The Russian steamship Kuma, with all on board, foundered in a terrible gale on the Caspian Sea. On board was a million of roubles (i. e. \$800,000,) which, with vessel, worth perhaps \$700,000, were all lost. In the Black Sea four Greek brigs and their crews all went down.

and in the English Channel ship *Edwards* foundered and lost; not a person on board of 20 or 30 was saved.

30. Snow in Cottonwood, Utah, from 10 to 50 feet deep, and storms perpetually, with great losses and suffering.

31. Deaths in Philadelphia city this month by the small pox, 1,094. In Maine this year there were 113 deaths by accidents, 77 persons were drowned, 52 committed suicide, and 8 were murdered. In New York city there were 851 accidents of all kinds, 179 deaths by drowning, 108 suicides, 42 homicides, and 8 other violent deaths. Total casualties 1,314, including 126 infants found dead. "A dismal record," says the *World*. Aside from the Western fires, the accidents in the United States resulted in the killing of 800 persons and the inflicting of injuries on 500 others. These include only those killed and wounded in groups and not singly. In Madras, India, during the first eleven months of the year, 233 human beings were devoured by wild animals. In Persia three great cities of from 120,000 to 180,000 souls have each lost 80,000 people by famine and disease, and as the year dies this entire nation of 10,000,000 people are dying of the most awful epidemics and calamities.

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